# Kinnock's PR pledge derided

# Ashdown rejects Labour shift on electoral reform

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND ROBIN OAKLEY

AN EXPECTED pledge by Labour to examine reforms in the Westminster voting system was dismissed by Paddy Ash-down and derided by the Tories last night as the parties prepared for an announcement that the general election will be on April 9.

With Conservative MPs hoping for a Budget tomorrow that will win votes and be prudent enough to reassure the markets, John Major is expected to tell the Queen on Wednesday of his decision to go to the country.

A formal announcement could come later that night or on Thursday. The prime minister, who spent yesterday in his constituency, is thought to have confirmed arrangements for making the announcement in telephone talks with Chris Patten, the Conservative chairman.

In a significant shift of stance designed to attract centre-party voters, Neil Kinnock has decided that the Labour election manifesto will promise a government-

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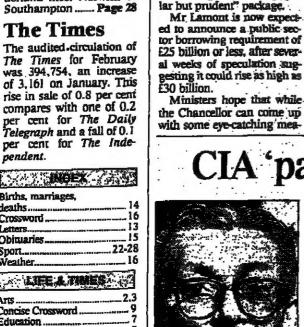
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#### The Times

The audited circulation of The Times for February was 394,754, an increase of 3,161 on January. This rise in sale of 0.8 per cent compares with one of 0.2 per cent for The Daily Telegraph and a fall of 0.1 per cent for The Independent.

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enquiry into electoral reform.
Without committing the leadership to change, the move is seen by senior Labour MPs as the party's most important step yet towards Labour one day backing proportional re-

Mr Ashdown accused Mr Kinnock of playing the "usual game" of trying to lure voters from the Liberal Democrat camp by making vague promises even as the Conservarives said it smacked of defeatism. Mr Ashdown told Mr Kinnock to come off the

Mr Ashdown, addressing his party's spring conference in Glasgow, made plain that he would not be "lobbed off" by promises of enquiries, and said that Labour would have to "bite the buller" on PR if it wanted a deal in a hung parliament. Mr Ashdown continues to emphasise that his price for co-operation would be legislation on elec-

Mr Patten said if Labour really thought it could win it would not even contemplate PR. It was clear that Labour's best hope was Britain's worst nightmare, a hung parlia-ment with all the indecision and instability that it would

The Tory chairman said Labour had started horsetrading in public. "Labour would say anything to try to grub up a few more votes. Their readiness to hint at constitutional upheaval, without even having the courage to make their own position

Despite the public attacks the importance of Mr Kinnock's move was not lost on senior politicians. Labour is not expected to promise a. Speaker's conference on reform or a royal commission, but to turn its existing enquiry into electoral reform headed by Raymond Plant into a government enquiry with nembers of other parties in-

vited to sit on it. Mr Kinnock, who has been careful to leave open the door-on PR, has delighted Labour reform campaigners by his decision, while PR sceptics accept that a promise to hold a full-blown enquiry could

give the party a strong card in any negotiations in a hung

Although Mr Kinnock has declared his opposition to packs some Labour MPs say it would be hard for the Liberal Democrats to bring down a Labour government committed to a course of ac-tion that could lead to PR.

Mr Ashdown, after the par

ty conference, said: "When it comes to fair votes the Tories say no, the Liberal Demo crats say yes and Labour cannot get further than maybe. Mr Ashdown dismissed re ports that he was seeking four places for his party in a coali-tion cabiner by insisting that "nobody in this party is talk-Damlers. He made clear that any deal would have to include PR and the commitment to a four-year parliamentary programme. The Liberal Democrats would not back a Labour government

back a Labour government promoting home rule for Scotland unless it accepted PR for Westminster as well. In his rallying speech to the conference Mr Ashdown concentrated on the theme of reforming the system of government, and condemning the two main parties for an election campaign which had been, he said, a disgrace to British positics.

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British politics.

He grade it clear that his party would aim for a position of equidistance from Labour and the Tories. The

In a speech of powerful rhenoric but little policy, deliv-ered to an ecstatic audience. Mr Ashdowa scripper the "rake's progress" of election bribes culminating in the national lottery. When this gov-erament was elected. Margaret Thatcher promised us'an economic miracle. Now Ken Baker gives us a national lottery. From miracle to lottery. From sound money to loadsamoney. From Adam Smith to William Hill in 13 disastrous years".

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## Ministers hint at tax cuts in £3bn package

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND JILL SHERMAN

A £3 billion boost for the economy, combining 1p off income tax with special help for business, is expected in the Budget tomorrow.

A succession of senior ministers hinted strongly at tax cuts yesterday as Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, prepared to deliver what Tory sources expect to be a "popular but prudent" package.

Mr Lamont is now expected to announce a public sector borrowing requirement of £25 billion or less, after several weeks of speculation sugesting it could rise as high as

Ministers hope that while the Chancellor can come up

sures, the Budget will not damage the government's reputation for sound management of the economy.

A cut of 1p off the base rate, in addition to improvements in the allowances, will look relatively cautious, ministers believe, after some reports suggesting as much as 3p being cut.

Treasury sources were yesterday dampening expectathis week, although a 0.5 per Continued on page 16, col I

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### Poll tax rebellion looms in marginals

an average of an extra £13 a head this year, to make up the shortfall caused by non-

Surcharges to compensate for non-payers last year in-chide £69 in Manchester, £57 in Haringey and £45 in Plymouth. The Times has completed the biggest independent survey of the bills due next month, which suggests that the new charge will average

The surcharges are expected to cause great indignation and there are fears of a fresh poll tax rebellion. Almost two fifths of adults say they will refuse to pay the surcharges imposed because of the failure of others to pay, according to an NOP poll for the Local Government Chronicle and Public Eye in the 50 most

marginal constituencies. Of the 1,000 voters questioned 38 per cent, said they would not pay surcharges. More than one in four Tory voters who said they would switch allegiance at the election gave the tax as their

The survey by The Times of poll tax bills set by 311 of the 405 councils which levy the community charge in England and Wales has found that individual bills will rise by an average of 12.8 per cent. The average for England is £13 above the government target of £257.
The Labour party last night

produced its own figures suggesting that the average charge would be £279 in Eng-land — 8.9 per cent above target - and £148 in Wales.

# Artillery opens up as Azerbaijanis look for revenge

Anatol Lieven has a hilltop view of a savage but sometimes comic battle beiween Azerbaijani and Amerian forces in disputed Nagorno-Karabakh

position was an artil-Viery spotter's dream. From the top of the hill on which we were crouching, just west of the Azerbaijani village of Shelli and on the border of the disputed enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, the battlefield lay before us. To the southwest, raging fires marked where Azerbaijani rockets had landed in the Armenian-held town of Askeran.

Between us and the town, a mile and a half away, oil storage tanks, miraculously intact, marked the furthest Armenian position. To the



northwest, a cemetery on the edge of the Azerbaijani headquarters of Agdam marked the Azerbaijani line of control. The Karga river meanders in the valley in which the town lies.

From our observation post we suddenly saw a flight of Azerbaijani Grad rockets streaking from their truck-mounted multiple launchers in the valley. Exactly seven seconds later, they exploded in Askeran.

As we watched, the Azerbaijanis brought up one of their launchers from

with a volley of 19 rockets Their aim was not good, and many of the rockets landed on the sides of the mountain

beyond the town. However, a dozen red ongues of flame flared briefly all over the centre of the town, and for half a minute or so, Askeran must have felt close to hell. The Azerbai-janis cheered and yelled "Allah" as the rockets burst.

After the mass killings last week of Azerbaijani civilians from Khodjaly, a few miles away, a fierce spirit of revenge has possesed the Azerbaijanis. "If you get to Askeran don't bother to film Armenian corpses," an Azerbaijani journalist told us. "They are beasts, not

men," he said. As yet, the Azerbaijani organisation and equipment fall far short of their war aims. Despite our superb observation post, not one of the Azerbaijani soldiers on the hill was equipped with a pair of binoculars. In the valley, apart from the two rocket launchers, there were three 120mm cannon, one without a barrel and all seemingly short of ammunition. civilian vehicles, a police car,

a garbage truck, and several buses watched alongside. When the Armenians returned fire, which landed hillside, the spectators rushed into the vehicles, and sped off towards Shelli. The men on the hill hooted with Continued on page 16, col 4

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# **Feminist**

fervour

has its day

INTERNATIONAL Women's Day yesterday was cele-brated with feminist fervour in South Korea, China and at the United Nations, but on a low-key, cynical note in the former Soviet Union, where the ideological calendar

(Michael Binyon writes).

Lynda Chalker, the overseas development minister, boasted of Britain's role in World. In South Korea, a 68year-old former Japanese 'sex slave" was named Woman of the Year.

In Moscow, there was little to celebrate. Traditional ceremonies were cancelled, flowers were scarce and gifts were too expensive for most.

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#### another position, fired two Women's priorities shots, and then opened up Rebellion threat, page 5 LAT section, page 1 CIA 'paralysed by hunt for imaginary moles'



Angleton: his suspicions 'inflicted great damage'

FROM CHARLES BREMNER

THE world already knows much about the double agents and mole-hunting which beset the British secret service in the Cold War. The CIA, it turns out, was every bit as plagued by fear of treason as the British. It secretly paid large sums in compensation to agents falsely ac-cused of being moles, under a so-called "Mole Relief Act".

The careers of dozens of officials at the spy agency were ruined or damaged in the fruitiess pursuit of a double agent called "Sasha", whose real name was supposed to begin with a K. According to a new book by David Wise, an intelligence specialist, the distrust paralysed the CIA in the past three years, the CIA quietly paid half a million dollars (E300,000) to Peter Karlow, as compensation for falsely branding him a traitor and sacking him in 1963. Mr Karlow, ce specialist, the distrust paralysed

who is now 71, confirmed in The New York Times yesterday that he had been the prime suspect. When he provided alibis for his alleged meetings with Russians in East Germany, his interrogators said only a true spy could devise

such good cover. Similar compensation has been secretly paid to Paul Garbler, the CIA's first station chief in Moscow, and to Richard Kovich, who recruited Soviet agents for the agency. A CIA spokesman confirmed that officers had been com-

pensated but declined to give details.

According to Mr Wise, who researched the matter for ten years, the damage inflicted by the suspicions of James Angleton, the CIA's late counterespionage chief, was far more extensivethan previously reported. Up to the mid-1980s, fear of double agents caused the CIA to reject approaches by KGB and Wise says. The CIA never found a mole other Soviet officials whose information and all the men it accused were loyal

says in Molekunt: the Secret Search for Traitors that Shattered the CIA.

The mole panic began in 1961, when Anatoly Golitsyn, a KGB officer who became one of the best-known Soviet defectors, told the CIA that there was a highly-placed mole in its midst. His code-name was Sasha, he had worked in West Germany and his true name becan with K. Mr Karlow was the first suspect because he matched the biography and because he had been involved in a US-British project to devise a tiny surveillance device. Golitsyn reported that the KGB had details of the project. The Russians had, the CIA later learned, been tipped off not by an American but

by George Blake, the British traitor. "Because of pervasive suspicions that prevailed at the time, the CIA was paralysed at the height of the Cold War." Mr Wise says. The CIA never found a mole

# Ashdown sees anxious Kinnock as the man most likely to

believe that their best hope of achieving a coalition deal to increase their power base in British politics will come if the Tories emerge as the biggest single party in a hung parliament.

Paddy Ashdown will go into the election declaring himself "equidistant" from the two main parties and ready to work with either, although he does not believe there will be a deal on offer from John Major.

If the Tories emerge as the largest party but without an overall majority, Mr Ashdown be-lieves that he can "make Labour sweat" because Neil Kinnock will be anxious to get the Tories out before the long-awaited economic recovery takes hold. Senior Liberal Democrats claim they have been approached by Labour MPs asking nervously: "You wouldn't really do a deal with them, would you?"

Liberal Democrat planners say two other factors will put pressure on Mr Kinnock. First, Boundary Commission constituency

As the Liberal Democrats prepare for the forthcoming election, Robin Oakley assesses the price for support they might exact from Labour

changes are expected to hand the Tories up to 20 seats at Labour's expense before an election after.

Second, any move to a Scottish parliament under a future Tory government is likely to be accompanied by a reduction in the number of Scottish MPs at Westminster. Since Labour has 48 of the present 72, that too would benefit the Conservatives.

If Labour were not to win power there is the likelihood of a nationalist backlash in Scotland. which would harm the party's prospects north of the Border. For those reasons, Mr Ashdown and his colleagues believe Mr Kinnock will be a man in a hurry. He will want Liberal Democrat assistance in voting down a mi-nority Conservative government as soon as possible, and that will give Mr Ashdown's party the leverage to exact a good price for its support. Liberal Democrats see a growing tide in Labour's ranks in favour of proportional representation at Westminster, their basic condition for a deal.

The Liberal Democrats, deeply experienced in "hung council" deals in local government, also take heart from their tactics on the Scottish constitutional convention. Malcolm Bruce, their Scottish leader, insisted from the outset that proportional representation must be the electoral systern for any Scottish parliament. and was told that his intransigence would wreck the hopes of any deal with Labour. But Labour came round to PR for the Scottish assembly.

Now the Liberal Democrats, at some risk to their party unity, are saying that they would not support a Labour government offer-ing home rule for Scotland unless they were promised PR for West-

minster as well. Outwardly they argue that that is the only way to ensure that a future Conservative government would not take away any Scottish assembly set up by Labour with their support. But there are deeper reasons; among them lack of trust.

Mr Ashdown and his team. watching Mr Kinnock and his advisers edging towards PR. appearing to favour it without actually committing their party, do not trust Labour to deliver. That is why they will not settle for a Speaker's convention or any other convention to look at the PR question, or even for a referen-dum. They are insisting on legis-lation for electoral reform preferably in the first Queen's

They have been encouraged by the growing public support indicated in opinion poils for coalition government. The party's own qualitative polling has shown that supporters of other parties want to see more than one parties want to see more than one party co-operating in govern-ment, and that Labour supporttrust their own party on its own.

PR is not the Liberal Democrats' only concern in coalition negotiations. Although nothing else will be presented as a sticking point, they would also insist, with any party, on an employment package to counter the effects of the recession. They would be pushing for an

independent central bank to help Britain prepare for full monetary union. They would insist on an agreed programme for a full fouryear parliament, not wishing to be exploited by a Labour prime minister ready to cast them aside and run for power on his own at the first favourable moment. They will be demanding in any negotiation at least one cabinet position and others down the line, seeking working involvement at all levels of government.

Mr Ashdown privately acknowledges that he is unlikely to be asked to join a coalition initially, and that both main parties are likely to try to govern as a minority. But his party is ready to



Ashdown: encouraged

support for a coalition fight what it will then see as a propaganda war, saying that it is illegitimate for either major party to seize power on two fifths of the popular vote and a minority of parliamentary seats.

By campaigning on that theme before helping to bring down one of those minority governments, the Liberal Democrats believe that they would escape any blame

for precipitating a further election. But the party's MPs remain nervous that they would lose votes between two elections held close together, as their Liberal predecessors did in 1974.

Mr Bruce, urged the people of Scotland to "rise up and drive out the Tories," at his party's conference in Glasgow. He said: "Every Tory candidate in Scotland must be soundly defeated to force Scottish home rule and the reform of

the UK to the top of the agenda." He said those who took positions on quangoes appointed by the Conservative secretary of state, like Scottish Natural Heritage and the Scottish Funding Council for Higher Education,

"What else do you call people appointed by a government overwhelmingly rejected by the people and implementing policies the people had made clear at every opportunity they did not support? True democrats would refuse to serve on such bodies until we had reformed our system of govern-

### Clarke blames policy after crash

# Ministers admit to economic mistakes

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

GOVERNMENT ministers yesterday tried to distance themselves from the Conservatives' monetary policy in the late 1980s, by conceding that economic errors had been made after the 1987 stock market crash.

While not directly criticis-ing Nigel Lawson, the former Chancellor, both Kenneth Clarke, the education secre-tary, and John MacGregor, the Commons leader, admitted there had been "one or

Mr Clark admitted that the Conservative party had made

### Tax cuts a low priority for women

BY DAVID LIPSEY

TAX cuts are a low priority for the Budget among women. Only a quarter of women questioned in an FDS opinion poll believe that Norman Lamont should include tax cuts in tomorrow's Budget, against three quarters who want him to invest more in schools, public transport and the health service. Half the women questioned would like him to raise state benefits.

Income tax cuts have a particularly low priority among women. If the Chan-cellor cuts taxes, he ought first to reduce poll tax, nearly half the women say. A third put VAT cuts first, but only 17 per cent favour income tax cuts. The survey therefore raises questions as to whether the Budget is likely to restore the Conservatives' standing among women ahead of the general election, as party strategists have hoped.

When asked whether they would like 1p off income tax, women say "yes" by two to one. But the survey shows that they more strongly support tax changes which would benefit women. Of those questioned. 92 per cent would like more tax relief for those looking after elderly de-pendents; 77 per cent favour tax relief on child care costs and 73 per cent favour an additional tax allowance for working women with

children. Most women say that the health service should have first claim on any extra money the Chancellor may spend. Schools come second, well ahead of environment and public transport.

FDS interviewed a representative sample of 1, 022 women by telephane between February 13 and 18.

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misjudgments in its monetary policy in the 1980s, by lowering interest rates after the 1987 Stock Exchange crash, and failing to predict the credit explosion after fi-

nancial deregulation. Speaking on the Walden programme on London Weekend Television, he defended the government's fis-cal policy of tax cuts in the budgets of 1987 and 1988 but suggested that the government should have been tougher on interest rates.

The tax cuts in 1987 were a good thing. With hindsight, however, these measures should have been combined with tighter monetary poli-cy," he said. "We made an error of judgment after the Stock Exchange crash. We did not see quite what was happening.
With hindsight we wrong-

ly combined this fiscal policy of tax cuts) alongside lower interest rates after the stock market crash and failing to put up interest rates fast enough after the credit boom got under way." Mr Clarke admitted that the government was "struggling" to come out of the recession but said the country was now in a good position to do so.

No apology was due from the government, Mr Clarke said. "Most of our judgement has been correct. Most of our budgets have been beneficial. The errors of monetary policy were not the cause of the recession and we are now well poised to come out of

Mr MacGregor said that with hindsight there were "one or two mistakes" which could be seen more clearly. "The [monetary] conditions

were just a bit too easy after the stock market crash.

Both Mr Clarke and Mr MacGregor hinted at tax cuts in the Budget and higher public borrowing to pay for increased spending on health, education and transport.
Asked whether borrowing

in a recession should be used only to finance the increasing cost of unemployment, Mr MacGregor said that it should also be used on capital spending programmes and the health service. Mr MacGregor said on BBC TV's On The Record: "Continuing to do the investment on things like the road pro-gramme, school-building programme etc — these are all very important."

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, defended the use of borrowing to finance tax cuts or to increase spending on

public services.

A new Conservative government would return the municipal map to its "older traditions", the prime minister said at the weekend in a speech that seemed to seal the fate of unloved county councils from Humberside to ÁVOIL.

Local people would decide how they wanted to be gov-erned at local level, John Major told the Conservative local government conference in London. "We are not seeking to impose any single blueprint. But I don't believe that some of the bodies creat-ed in the 1970s have cap-tured public loyalty." Mr Major said.

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rehearsal for a concert of his music at Golders Green, northwest London

### Thatcher defied Reagan on **Falklands**

BY BILL PROST

MARGARET Thatcher "handbagged" Ronald Reagan during the Falklands conflict when he tried persuading her to call off the final push for Port Stanley. according to American National Security Council files.

President Reagan had telephoned Downing Street to broker a Brazilian peace plan calling for a ceasefire, the withdrawl of Argentine forces and the deployment of neutral peace keepers, according to a transcript discovered by researchers on the BBC2 Timewatch programme. A furious Mrs Thatcher indicated bluntly that the bound-aries of their special relationship were finite.

"I did not lose some of my best ships and some of my finest lives to leave quietly under a ceasefire without the Argentines withdrawing." the former prime minister had declared. Warming to her theme, she added: You are surely not asking me, Ron, ... that after the Argentine withdrawal, that our forces and our administration become immediately idle? I had to go to immense distances and mobilise half

my country." The conversation on May 31, 1982, took place as British forces celebrated the capture of Goose Green from the Argentines and prepared to move on Stanley. Mr Reagan was concerned that a victory for Mrs Thatcher could be perceived as colonial aggres-sion, supported by the United

States. Mrs Thatcher was not impressed by the president's anxiety: "I just wonder if any-one, over there realises, I would like to ask them. Just supposing Alaska was

### Tory in election challenge to Hurd

Douglas Hurd the foreign secretary is to be challenged in the general election by the membership secretary of his local Conservative association who is protesting at the government's attitude towards

Britons imprisoned overseas. Marilyn Brown, aged 46, will stand as an independent candidate in Witney, Oxfordshire, representing the newly formed pressure group "Fair Trials Abroad" which aims to highlight the plight of Britons in foreign jails. Mrs Brown's son Nicholas, aged 20, has been imprisoned in Goa for the past 14 months accused of possessing 15 grammes of hashish. He denies the charge, which carries a minimum sentence of ten years.

Mrs Brown says that the Foreign Office has not helped him for fear of upsetting the authorities in India and Goa. "You believe that if it happens to you, our government will go to great lengths to right the wrongs and get you home," she said. "But rarely will anything be done to assist anyone, no matter how young and unworldly they may be. beyond handing them a list of hopefully reliable local law-yers and wishing them luck."

#### Kasparov clings to chess lead

Gary Kasparov, the world chess champion, maintained his lead in the ninth round of the International Chess Tournament in Linares, Spain, with a draw against his closest rival, Alexander Beliavski, the Russian grandmaster.

Kasparov has six-and-ahalf points out of nine with four rounds still to be played. Beliavski has six and the former world champion Anatoly Karpov has five-and-a-half. In London, Oxford University beat Cambridge University 6-2 in the traditional annual match between the two teams.

#### **Budget papers** threatened

An overtime ban and workto-rule action by Stationery Office staff, beginning today. may disrupt administrative preparations for tomorrow's Budget. Two civil service unions are protesting at a 4.7 per cent pay offer.
Eddie Spence, national of-

ficer of the Civil and Public Services Association, said: "The action could disrupt the publication of material relating to the Budget. Without our goodwill there may be difficulties ensuring material goes out on time. Our goodwill has been withdrawn. The latest offer is insulting."

### Murder hunt

Police will mingle with commuters today in an attempt to find witnesses to the killing of Manzula Amlani, who was raped and murdered as she was walking to her home on Thursday night after leaving a train at Bagshot station. Surrey. Mrs Amlani, aged 44, was found with her throat cut in an alley near the station. A pair of bloodstained goalkeeper's gloves and a knife have been found.

### Editor in coma

Sir Larry Lamb, former editor of The Sun and Daily Express, is still seriously ill in an Australian hospital. He collapsed in Sydney on Thursday hours before he was due to watch England play Australia in cricker's World Cup. St Vincent Hos-pital said he was in a coma on a life-support machine and greater responsibility for his condition remained criticountering terrorism both in Ulster and on the mainland. cal but stable. His wife and a son are at the hospital. 

# Opposition woos third-party voters with promise to hold PR enquiry

NEIL KINNOCK is to make a direct attempt to attract centre-party voters with an election manifesto pledge to establish a governmentbacked enquiry into the Westminster voting system. The move has been ag-reed by the Labour leader

and Roy Hattersley, his dep-uty, and could have acute significance if the election produces a hung parlia-ment. Labour sources have confirmed that the Plant committee, its working party on electoral reform set up two years ago, would be upgraded to a government en-quiry. It would be similar to the constitutional convention in which the parties in Scotland have together discussed their electoral

system. Senior Labour sources have disclosed that the committee, chaired by Raymond Plant, whose members include Margaret Beckett, Bryan Gould and Jo Richardson, and Labour PR enthusiasts such as Jeff Rooker, would have its membership broadened to include business, the churches and trade unions. Consideration would be given by Labour in government to putting members of other

parties on the committee. The move falls far short of the Liberal Democrat demand in the event of a hung parliament that legislation on PR should be the price of co-operation, but it marks an astonishing turnround in Labour's attitude to PR. As recently as 1983 Mr KinThe grassroots campaign in the Labour party to change the Westminster voting system is traced by Philip Webster

nock, whose mind has seemed more open on PR than many of his leadership colleagues', was saying that it could bring disproportion-ate government. Three election defeats, the last two by landslides, have concentrated the minds of Labour

members workers.

A formidable grassroots campaign has been under way since the 1987 election, undoubtedly fuelled by fears that the party might never on its own form a majority government again. There were also worries that Labour stands to lose some 15 seats under the next boundary review.

It was, ironically, a wish to avoid looking defeatist that has kept the leadership wary of allying itself to PR. A cam-

paign from the bottom has cut across the usual leftright, old guard against new guard battle-lines. The poll tax brought many Labour politicians into the fold. They bought the argument that a tax so despised by a big majority of the population could never have been

introduced under PR. Paradoxically, the Plant committee, set up by the Labour conference two years ago, began its life as a device to avoid decisions on PR - and a likely internal row - having to be made before the election. The committee has al-

ready recommended a form of PR for elections to the Scottish assembly. Labour's promised London authority is also expected to be chosen



Beckett and Richardson: on Plant committee

by PR. The committee is expected to recommend PR for the European elections and possibly for the elected sec-ond chamber that would replace the Lords under

Labour, and the proposed regional assemblies.

There is still strong opposition within the Labour leadership and on the Plant committee to changing the Westminster system, but the party's PR enthusiasts were voicing delight yester-day at Mr Kinnock's decision to give the committee greater status. It also took some members of the shadow cabinet by surprise, although strong opposition is not expected when Labour's manifesto is completed.

Mr Hattersley's support

for Mr Kinnock's move is likely to mean that any opposition within the party is muted. John Cunningham Labour's campaigns chief. hinted in January that a PR pledge might appear in the manifesto. He and Robin Cook, the shadow health secretary, are the keenest backers of change in the shadow cabinet.

Mr Kinnock has been stu-diously careful to leave open the door at every stage of the argument. He said recently a BBC interview. The British people want rational discussion of electoral reform so that they can make up their minds, knowing what the consequences of any change would be."

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# Ulster intelligence tactics reviewed

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT to all the intelligence agen-cies and to make policy A RETIRED MIS officer is

due in Belfast this week to begin a review of intelligence gathering in Northern Ireland.

The secret enquiry could lead to the appointment of a powerful security co-ordinator responsible for supervising all anti-terrorist operations in Ulster. The prime minister is said to be convinced that a shake-up is needed in intelligence gathering in the province.

John Major, army chiefs
and other key figures are con-

able to plant bombs in the middle of Belfast and attack targets in the heart of Whitehall One option being suggested is to make MI5 the lead agency in combating the IRA. The old guard in MI5 is thought to be against that

proposal, believing that the

principal intelligence role in

Northern Ireland should be

left to the Royal Uister

cerned that the IRA is still

Constabulary.
A senior MI5 officer holds the post of director and coordinator of intelligence. based at Stormont. But his role is to act as chairman of a special security committee that meets regularly. He is responsible for ensuring that all the intelligence gathering

agencies are working to the same end. That post may now be ex-panded to become a more important appointment, with the chosen director empowered, by legislation if necessary, to issue directives

The main agencies in-volved in intelligence gather-ing in Ulster are the RUCs special branch; the army's force reconnaissance unit,

decisions.

part of the Intelligence Corps: MI5: MI6. the secret intelligence service; and GCHQ, the government's communications organisation, which provides electrical structures of the communication of the co tronic evesdropping.
While it is wrong to suggest that those different agencies are working inde-pendently of each other, the government now believes that a director of intelligence

with new powers and with a strong personality is required to combat the IRA. In 1979, the late Sir Mau-rice Oldfield, former head of MI6, was sent to Belfast by Margaret Thatcher to be security co-ordinator, after accusations that the different agencies were at loggerheads. His influence helped to break down many of the rivalries between the intelli-

gence-gathering services. When Sir Maurice became ill and returned to London, he was succeeded as security co-ordinator by Sir Brooks Richards. The present direc-

tor of intelligence has never been named. MI5, now under the leadership of Stella Rimington as director general, is expected to be charged with much

Law students

back reform

of judiciary

The next generation of lawyers generally holds conservative views but with some

ly wants reform of the

system of judicial appoint-

ments, does not support

strike action over legal aid pay and favours practising

criminal litigation over company and commercial

law, according to a survey of nearly 700 students.

tion and the influence of the European Commission and European Court of Justice as the most significant ssue for lawyers and the legal system in the next decade. The criminal justice

system in England and Wales and its lack of confi-

dence is rated as far less significant, with 66 per cent in last month's survey

believing that only "moder-ate" reform is needed, or that it is satisfactory.

The survey, processed by Mori for The Times, was

based on a questionnaire to students attending this

year's Law Fair, sponsored by the newspaper and orga-nised by London Universi-ty's careers advisory

service. It highlights differences between the views of students planning to enter the law and people in the

Students' answers were

often conservative. Only 29

per cent backed strike ac-

tion by solicitors over legal aid: fewer than half fa-

voured a common training

for solicitors and barris-

ters: and only one third fa-voured a fundamental over-

haul of the criminal justice

system. But 70 per cent fa-

voured change in the sys-tem for appointing judges, 87 per cent wanted more

women judges and 82 per cent more judges from eth-

Despite concern in the

32 per cent picked criminal

litigation as their favoured area of work, with 29 per

cent for company and com-

mercial law, and 18 per cent for civil litigation.

lawyers demanded the

right to legal aid to be ex-

These results came

ssion about legal aid,

nic minorities.

It sees European integra-





High hopes: Billy Liles takes off at the British motocross championships at Swanley, Kent, yesterday while a well armoured enthusiast stays earth-bound

is of prime importance to

investors after five years" and

lists three options: a merger of the company with Pathfinder

Properties and stock market flotation; sale of the company

to a third party; sale of the

individual properties and appropriate distribution to

shareholders". He writes: "I

believe that we shall look back

and say the 1992 residential

outstanding property buying opportunity ... with the add-

benefit of BES tax relief."

Mr Villiers, for BES, said:

"I looked at the prospectus

and thought Andrew de Can-dole might be seen to be

cleaning up through Blen-heim Asset Management.

But if as an investor that

picks in the throat and you

hink he is getting too much

for his return, you don't have

Norwich South, to condema the proposal as an inappro-priate use of tax relief when the government is pressing

lenders to curb repossessions.

Mr Garrett said: This is a squalid forercise, legal even though it is ghastly.

Pathfinder Repossessions

was incorporated on January

was incorporated on January
22, 1991, having changed its
name from Johnson Fry Fine
Inns of Distinction No 6 plc.
It will be sponsored by Johnson Fry Corporate Finance,
the larges BES sponsor. Its
chairman is Charles Fry. As

sponsor, he is a director of Pathfinder Repossessions.

Johnson Fry will charge 6 per cent of the monies raised by

Pathfinder, of which 3 per

cent will be paid to "recog-nised introducers" of capital. Mr Fry told The Times: "Pathfinder Repossessions is.

not doing anything different

from what a lot of people are

doing at auctions. They are

buying property on the mar-ket. There's nothing wrong with buying repossessed property. It will be let out

under short tenancies to in-

sions market was the

Repossessions firm exploits tax incentives

# Major studies prospectus of property speculator

scheme's watchdog, emphas-

ised that the venture was en-

tirely within the rules.

"Pathfinder Repossessions are not putting people out of their houses. I have reserva-

tions about the use of the

word repossessions in the

name of the company. It's a

personal moral scruple be-

cause I don't like the image it

creates. It might be seen that

BES were profiting from people's misfortune."

Mr de Candole rose to City

prominence after setting up

City Gate Estates property company in 1985 through a BES issue sponsored by John

son Fry which raised almost

£3 million. With James Gulli-

ver, the chairman, Mr de

Candole, the managing di-rector, brought City Gate Es-tates to the unlisted securities

market in 1988. It was sold to

Swedish investment company Accura for £22 million in

1990, making a 600 per cent

profit for top-rate taxpayers.

Mr de Candole, a figure of
passing interest to gossip columnists, also holds director-

ships in Pathfinder Proper-

1991 raised £1.5 million to

buy property in central Lon-don, Landmark Films, Wil-ton Asset Management, and

Blenheim Asset Manage-

ment. He said: "First time buyer repossession property

which in the first half of

THE prime minister is examining the company prospectus of a high-flying property speculator who plans to exploit tax incentives to raise E5 million for a raid on the auction market on lucrative repossessed homes.

election.

John Major called for a copy after being told in the Commons that the business activities of Pathfinder Rens, which qualify for tax relief under the government's Business Expansion Scheme (BES), represent a squalid use of BES funds to promote a trade in the misfortunes of the homeless.

Two City figures at the centre of the controversial enterprise are Mark Andrew Vully de Candole, the company's managing director, and his financial sponsor, Charles Fry. aged 52, chairman of Johnson Fry Corporate Finance. Mr Fry has already investors' money for Pathfinder Repossessions in the past three weeks.

Mr de Candole, aged 38, who has 12 years' experience in the development of proper-ty in central London, wants to raise the E5 million by offering potential investors sub-stantial tax relief through the BES. He is offering yields of at least 13.5 per cent a year on income through letting the repossessed properties and initial increases in capital values of over 25 per cent after they have been refurbished. The BES, introduced in

1983 as the successor to the Business Start-up Scheme, aims to encourage individ-uals to invest up to £40,000 a year in small and growing businesses by offering relief at their highest income tax rate on the amount invested. In addition, shares issued are exempt from Capital Gains Tax if held for five years. Investors in the property scheme are also attracted by the recent suspension of

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THE PERSON NAMED IN

stamp duty until August. Tim Villiers, chief executive of the BES Association, the

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his socks

De Candole: offering

gains than any other sector of the property market."
Mr de Candole, who is rais-

ing the money to buy from the annual stock of 85,000 cutprice, vacant, repossessed houses at auction, will receive no salary under the Pathfinder Repossessions venture. But his firm of property consul-tants, Blenheim Asset Management, will receive an annual management fee of 1 per cent of funds raised under the issue, charge a fee of 1 per cent of the total cost of each property bought and a similar fee when each is sold. Bienheim will also charge a management fee for refurbishment by Pathfinder, amounting to 4 per cent of the cost. Mr de Candole is the

BEScules prevent investors "flosely connected, with the commany connected, with reliefs. Mr de-Candole is investing the maximum.

£40,000 allowed of his own money. But because his fees will be drawn by Blemean Asset Management he can claim the relief, according to be

the BES Association. BES rules will allow properties. bought by Pathfinder Repossessions to be sold off after four years though shareholders must wait five years to qualify for the tax reliefs. In the prospectus, Mr de Candole says the "achieve" ment of a successful exit route



Fry: raised £1.83m in

### Police enlist FBI in murder hunt BY RONALD FAUX

LANCASHIRE police have starting point for a whole new enlisted the help of the FBI in their search for the murderers of David Wilson, aged 47, an accountant who was executed in the garage of his home near Brinscall, Lancashire,

on Thursday. In their investigation of Mr Wilson's business affairs de-tectives from Lancashire have asked the FBI to make enquiries in north and south

America. It is understood that Mr Wilson had been questioned by police about insurance on a cargo of cigarenes. A man arrested in Scotland and taken to Lancashire on Saturday for questioning is believed to have had business connections with Mr Wilson.

When the man was arrested in The Netherlands in connection with the cigarette shipment, it was Mr Wilson who stood bail for him. Detective Superintendent Bob Denmark, who is leading the enquicy, said: "I donot regard the arrest as being in any willy the conclusion of. the enquiry. It may only be a line of enquiry."

Interpol and other police forces have been contacted by the Lancashire force in the effort to unravel Mr Wilson's

business interests. After speculation that Mr Wilson had been the subject of fraud investigations and that the case could be linked to terrorist organisations, Mr Denmark said that detectives had recently spoken to Mr Wilson "professionally" but he was not on police ball.

"We are certainly following up some very positive lines of nquiry that have partly come about through our appeal to Mr Wilson's business associates. It is a very complex and very far reaching enquiry," he added.

There was reason to believe that some people may be re-luctant to contact police for fear of the consequences but any information would be treated in the strictest confidence. Villagers in Brinscall said Mr Wilson made lengthy calls from the public telephone in the village.

surprising exceptions, Frances Gibb finds The next generation of lawyers overwhelmingtended to more people, and an end to the denial of access to justice. As the number of those who qualify for legal aid fell to less than 20 million, the Law Society called for urgent action from Lord Mackay, the Lord Chancellor, when he announces the increase in qualifying incomes this week. The society says that

the eligibility limit has risen 56 per cent since 1979, while average earnings have risen 190 per cent.

John Appleby, the chairman of the society's courts and legal services commit-tee, said: "There are mil-lions who are far too poor to afford the full cost of their case, but still do not qualify for legal aid."

Seventeen per cent in the survey chose Euro-

pean law as their fa-voured area of work. Big City of London firms were the target of 22 per cent, medium City or West End firms were preferred by 31 per cent, and large provincial practices were sought by 31 per cent. Twelve per cent favoured a small legal aid or family practice, indicating perhaps that, while the prospect of legal aid work is popular, students want to practise it in a me-dium firm, not a dedicated small legal aid firm.

Work seems more impo tant than money. The kind of work was cited by 94 per cent as influencing their final decision a great deal or a fair amount, against near-ly 70 per cent citing post-qualification salary.

Avrom Sherr, director of education at the City law firm Macfarlanes, which helped devise the survey, that the students were not radical, which made their backing of reform on judges' selection more striking. This has clearly now become the point of view of the mid-range liberal," he said.

Law Report

# crease their availability." Asthma scientists blame starch particle for misery

BY NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

A VAGRANT known as John the Baptist, who had frequented London Underground so long that nobody remembered the origin of his nickname, had walked always with a stoop. Only after he died of a heart attack last week at Embankment station, where he slept rough for 20 years, was the reason for his gait discovered (Michael

Horsnell writes). John, aged about 70, was found to be carrying £1,500, much of it in coins and hidden in his socks. The money. takings from a begging career in the station foyer, took three police officers more than an hour to count.

Inspector Howard Park said yesterday: "It weighed a ton. It is quite incredible to think what he was carrying around all this time. He was very popular because of his

cheerful nature." Police think that his name was John Gray beause of a 21-year-old prescription in his pocket and that he probably came from Scotland. because of a slight accent.

SCIENTISTS say they have pinpointed the substance in grass pollen that brings misery to millions of asthma sufferers every spring. The researchers have identified microscopic particles, made of starch, that are small enough to enter a person's air passages. Tests

show that they trigger an asthmatic attack. Each pollen grain carries more than 700 of the starch granules. The research, by medical and botanical scientists in Australia, has found that the particles are released during thunderstorms and rain by a process known as osmotic

shock. Moisture in the air causes the pollen grains to swell and explode, leading to a 50 fold increase in atmospheric concentrations of starch particles. Tests on patients con-

firmed that it was the starch particles rather than the pollen which triggers wheezing and constriction of the lungs and leads to a condition which kills 2,000 people a year in Britain. The find-ings, published in The Lancet, offer the hope of a new. generation of drugs that are tailored to tackle Lol pIX. the substance found on the starch particles. News of the Australian team's findings comes as British scientists are claiming an important

advance in the treatment of asthma and other allergies. Julian Hopkin and William Cookson, of the John Raddiffe and Churchill hospitals in Oxford, believe they might be within months of discovering the single gene that makes one in ten people vunerable to asthma attacks as well as hay fever and possibly eczema. Last year, they confirmed that they had tracked down the allergy gene to chromosome 11, one of the 23 pairs of chromosomes in the body which carry an estimated 100,000

At that time, they knew that the gene was one of 1.000. The researchers anhad cut the number of genes that might control asthmatic attacks to about 100.

Dr Cookson said it was possible that the research, funded by the Wellcome Trust, the medical charity which announced last weel that it was planning a £4.8 billion share offering, might find the crucial gene within

The research, part of a world-wide effort to map the genetic codes of life and pinpoint their individual functions, is aimed at eventually developing drugs which replace faulty or missing

It might be possible to inject into someone's lungs copies of the healthy gene which may make asthma sufferers less vulnerable to such airborne substances as starch particles. ☐ John Warner, professor of

child care at Southampton general hospital, estimates that half Britain's child asthma victims are not diagnounced yesterday that they nosed or treated properly.

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Building Excitement





### Surcharges up to £69 threaten fresh rebellion

# New poll tax averages £270

THE new poll tax bills in England will average £270 if the trend set by more than threequarters of councils is followed over the next few days. Surcharges to make up for those who do not pay the tax will average £13 a head.

Charge payers in Labour-controlled Manchester willeach have to pay £69 more to compensate for non-payers. There will be surcharges of £63 in Leicester, £57 in Haringey, E52 in Brighton, £49 in Leeds and Rochdale, £48 in Salford and £45 in Plymouth, prompting fears of a fresh rebellion against the addi-

tional charges.

A study by The Times of poll tax bills set by 311 of the 405 councils that levy the community charge in Eng-land and Wales, the largest The Times has completed the biggest independent survey of the bills due next month. Despite an average increase within the margin ministers wanted. Douglas Broom forecasts an outcry

independent survey, has found that individual bills will rise by an average of 12.8 per cent. The average for England is £13 above the government target of £2572, an increase of 7.5 per cent on this year's average of £251. It is within the limits suggested by Michael Portillo, the local said that the government would be happy if bills aver-aged within £10 or £15" of

the official target.
If England and Wales are taken together, the average poll tax set so far is £265, although this is a less signifi-

cant figure because the grant where bills will rise on aver cant righte because the grant system feets bills lower in Wales, where they average £131, a class of 28 per cent.

The Labour party last night produced its own figures suggesting, that the average in England would be £279, an increase of \$11.4 per cent on \$11.4 per cent of \$11.4 pe age by 15.9 per cent to E300.
In London, the poll tax levels that have already been inrise over this year's of 8.3 per cent to £224, attributable largely to tougher poll tax capping rules introduced by

Eagland would be £2/9, an intresse of 11.4 per cent on this year and 8.9 per cent above the government's target. According to Labour, the average tharge in Wales will be £448, a rise of 22.7 per Some borough councils in the capital will reduce the size of bills from April, with Lab-our-controlled Haringey planning the largest cur of on this year. The Times survey found that the steepest rises will be 8.5 per cent, from £419 to £384, to avoid being capped. in the metropolitan areas of the Midlands and the North. In shire areas, where 262 of the 296 districts have declared their charges for the financial year beginning April 1992, the average bill is £270, an increase of 12.2 per cent on this year. The figures shown in the table exclude additional precepts levied by parish councils, which will inflate bills in some parts of the country by more than £30

the government.

Some of the biggest per-centage rises are in Wales. South Pembroxeshire district is putting its charge up by 58 per cent from £76 to £120, and Ceredigion, Dyfed, by 51 per cent, from £90 to £136.

The political debate over percentages is likely to be acrimonious. The Opposition cites the figure produced by averaging individual councils increases, 12.2 per cent. while ministers will emphasise the year-on-year rise of 7.5 per cent.



Toe in the water: Julia Arzamastseva, principal soloist with the Moscow City Ballet, relaxing by the sea at Swansea at the start of a six-week British tour

### **Vandals** attack 300 cars

Streets in the Hampshire village of Titchfield were piled with ruined tyres yesterday after knife-carrying vandals slashed the tyres of nearly 300 cars, including that of

the local MP. Police said nearly every vehicle in the village was attacked early on Saturday morning after two men were disturbed trying to break into a car. "Nothing was stolen from the cars, it just seems to be wanton vandalism." police

Peter Lloyd, Conservative MP for Fareham, whose car tyres were slashed, said: "It is an appalling way for someone to get a Friday night's entertainment."

#### Lights out

More than 300 homes lost electricity supplies yesterday after firewood thieves cut down a tree that fell on to a 33,000-volt power line at the Devil's Punchbowl, Surrey.

#### Ferry launch

A roll-on, roll-off ferry service started between Invergordon on the Cromarty Firth and Kirkwall, Orkney

#### Black mayor Sheffield city council has chosen Qurban Hussain as the city's first black Lord Mayor.

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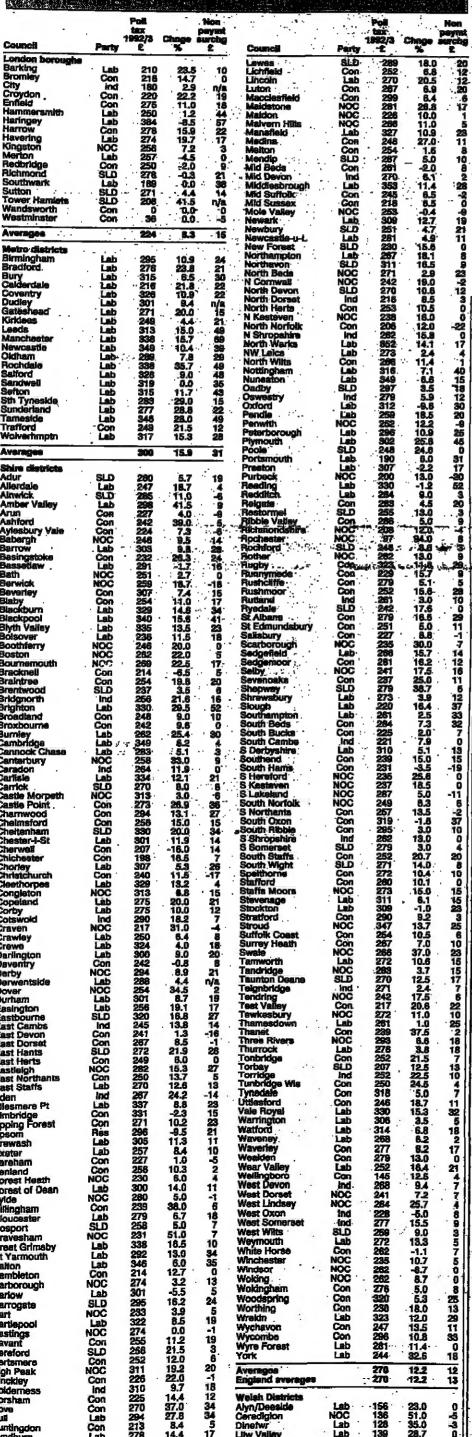
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Consumers quick to complain

# Protests double over tasteless adverts

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

COMPLAINTS about tasteless, indecent and misleading advertising last year passed 10,000 for the first time, prompting the Advertising Standards Authority to call for greater vigilance in the profession.

Some advertising industry firms were still flouting the rules of the self-regulatory body, Sir Timothy Raison, its chairman, said. Consumers had proved they were more willing than ever to complain about offensive material.

The Benetton poster of a newborn baby still attached to the umbilical cord prompted a record 800 complaints, contributing to a 100 per cent rise in protests about tasteless and indecent advertisements received by the authority last

Caroline Crawford, an authority spokesman, said: "Benetton pushed our statis-tics out completely. The num-ber of advertisements people complained about has actually declined from 628 in 1990

to 552 last year. There is just more public concern about taste and decency. People just won't put up with tasteless

The authority recorded in its annual report a disturbing rise in advertisements for bogus health products and quack medicines, and called on publishers to protect readers by rejecting advertise-ments for such products. Sir Timothy said: "We do have to keep up the pressure. There are cowboys around. We have to be constantly on the lookout to see that our rulings are

accepted."
The figures come days after the authority put pressure on Maiden Outdoor, the billboard company, to drop plans to show Benetton's latest campaign featuring pic-tures of a terrorist car bomb and an African soldier holding a human thigh bone. The authority said that both posters would cause offence. Francis Goodwin, Maiden's

did not agree, it was more important to uphold the authority's position than to

run the campaign.

Tactics used by timeshare companies were also causing concern, as were so-called business opportunity advertisements, designed to entice unemployed people to pay big registration fees in return for often useless information. However, many advertisers had stopped making mislead-ing ecology claims for products, and were showing an increasingly more responsi-ble attitude, the authority

The number of complaints rose by 700 to 10,610 last year, the report said. About a third were considered worth pursuing, and 2,416 were upheld. Nearly a quarter concerned taste and decency, and 1,361 of those were upheld. There were 373 com-plaints about the portrayal of women, of which 101 were



Inside art: Lord Longford, a regular prison visitor, shows off a painting by Eddie Richardson, the Sixties south London gang leader now at Full Sutton prison, Humberside, for a drug smuggling offence

### **UN forces** 'lack skill to mediate'

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

PEACEKEEPING forces earmarked for duty in Yugo-slavia and Cambodia have not been properly prepared, a report said yesterday.

Soldiers trained to fight were being sent to conflict areas where their only "us-able weapon" would be the ability to negotiate, the de-partment of peace studies at Bradford University said.

With the increase in United Nations peacekeeping commitments, a programme of multinational training was needed. Only five countries, Austria, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden, had formalised training to pre-pare soldiers for UN peace-

keeping.
The report said 14,000 peacekeepers, including 1,000 British troops, were due to be sent to Yugoslavia. 'As peacekeepers they will be asked to work within a complex, violent and delicately balanced political environment, where one indiscretion by one private can cause huge repercussions for the entire mission." Yet soldiers were not trained "in even the most basic negotiation and conflict resolution skills".

# **Britain** 'neglects arthritis'

Arthritis is a neglected disease in Britain, although it affects about 20 million people, with six to eight million needing drugs or joint replacement (Nigel Hawkes writes). The Office of Health Economics (OHE), estimates in a report today that it costs Britain El.200 million a year and more than 40 million lost working days.

Mandy Wyles, an OHE research associate and the report's author, says it is surprising arthritis is not mentioned in the government's consultative document, The Health of the Nation.

She says provision of rheu-matologists falls short of the standard of one to 150,000 people set by the World Health Organisation, the health department and the Royal College of Physicians.

#### Airbase protest

A peace demonstrator who climbed over a security fence and entered RAF Fairford in Gloucestershire to highlight the arrival there of American bombers was escorted off the base by guards. Juliet McBride was one of three members of the Southampton branch of "women against war" protesting at the return of the bombers to the former Gulf war base for a two-week operation.

#### Scrap blaze

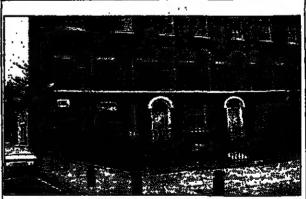
Over 100 firemen fought for more than five hours to control a blaze at a southeast London scrapyard in the ear-ly hours of yesterday. Roads were cordoned off and a railway goods yard was closed as the crews of 15 appliances tackled the blaze atthe premises of LSS Salvage, Peckham. The cause was not immediately known.

#### Fire at sea

HMS Kellington, a Royal Navy minesweeper, was towed into Devonport docks for repairs yesterday after being damaged by an engine room fire off the Devon coast and drifting for three hours. One of the fishery protection vessel's two turbines is believed to have been wrecked by the blaze before it was extinguished by the 38-strong crew, none of whom was

Nudists banned Nudists have been banned after 20 years by North Norfolk district council, which said they attracted

Council for British Naturism said exhibitionists from outside the council had caused



Fading glories: a deteriorating row of early 19th century houses in Tower Hamlets, east London

# Georgian houses join danger list

By JOHN YOUNG

NEARLY 1,000 buildings of historic or architectural interest in London are threatened by neglect and decay, English Heritage says today in its latest

survey.

The buildings are falling into disrepair as fast as others are rescued, the survey indicates. Although about 200 of the buildings in the first register published a year ago have been restored and returned to use, as many have since become empty and endangered. The purpose of the regis-ter, which forms part of a

broader national survey, is to draw attention to London's disused historic buildings and to attract possible buyers.

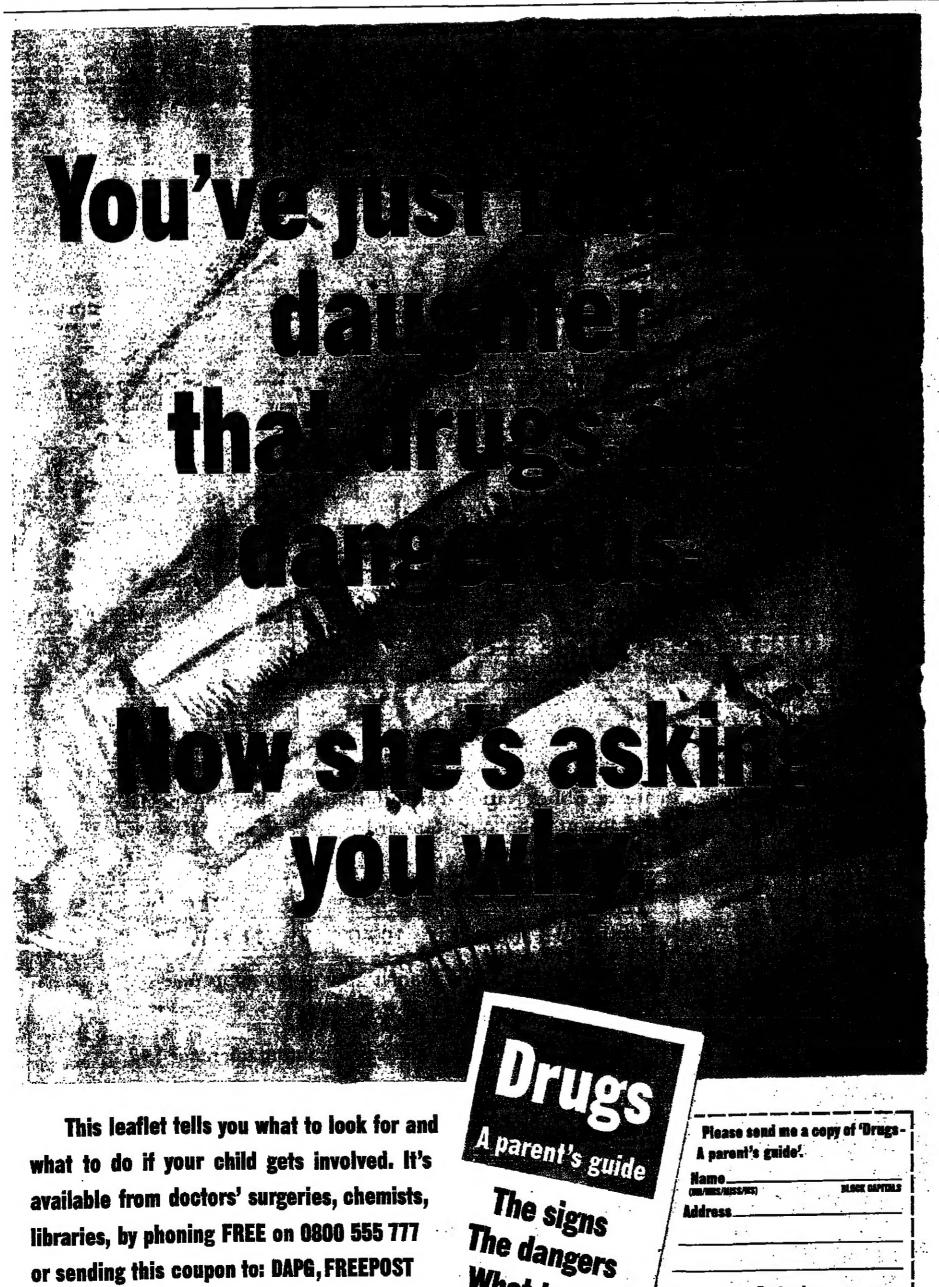
Seventy per cent of the buildings at risk are residential, mostly Georgian terraced houses in inner city areas. Their restoration and reoccupation could act as a catalyst in the regeneration of run-down neighbourhoods, English

Heritage says.
The list includes 18 buildings classed as Grade I or Grade II starred. Among the best known are St Pancras station; the Round House, Chalk Farm; the Royal Arsenal in Wool-wich: County Hall and the Lyceum theatre in Covent

Even more striking are the many neglected terrace houses in such boroughs as Camden, Islington, Kensington, Lambeth, Tower Hamlets and Westminster. Forty-four chapels and churches are also identified in the register, with industrial buildings, schools and hospitals which, it is said, are suitable for other uses.

In the past year, English Heritage has offered more than £1 million for repairs to 39 London buildings at risk and advice on the re-pair or sale of about 180 other properties. In some cases, the prospect of statutory action, combined with a grant, has broken the deadlock after years of inertia, it says.

Register of Buildings at Risk in Greater London (English Her-itage, Fortress House, 23 Savile Row, London WIX IAB; £3.50, £1.50 p&p)



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### President fails to beat Buchanan threat as Democrats still squabble

# Rebels give Bush no quarter in South

FROM PETER STOTHARD, US EDITOR, IN CHARGESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

PRESIDENT Bush's hopes for a quick end to the Buchanan rebellion were disappointed yesterday, following another powerful attack from the Republican right in his Southern stronghold.

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Mr Bush took 67 per cent of the primary vote in South Carolina, renamed "Bush Country" by its autocratic Republican governor, Carroli Campbell, a White House confidant. But the 33 per cent won by his opponents, shared tween Patrick Buchanan (26 per cent) and David Duke (7 per cent), showed little letup in the national level of

About an hour after polls closed here on Saturday, a reely voice was heard over thetelephone at Bush-Quayle headquarters as the president thanked his workers for the "mignificent victory". But officials expressed nervousnes that their "momentum" into tomorrow's eleven "Super Tuesday" contests was not as great as they had

Mr Bush, who spent yester-day at Camp David after cutting short an ineffectual Southern tour, searched for ways to end the sense of a campaign gone wrong. Although the raw results from Republican elections this year show a clean sweep for the incumbent, Mr Buchanan's powe to agitate the White House is growing.

Las week the normally cheerul presidential spokes-man Marlin Fitzwater, called travelling reporters "lazy lastards" for their reluctance to listen to Mr Bush exceptitions an audio-feed to the press room. Samuel Shinner, the White House chef of staff, called George Mitchell, the Senate majority leder, "a crass politician" wio put his party above his ountry. But "everyone in the fring line is really a surrogate

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for Pat Buchanan", a cam-paign aide confessed. Rich Bond, the Republican rational chairman, vesterday alled upon Mr Buchanan to vithdraw from the race as oon he was "mathematically mable" to win it. Mr Bond accused Mr Buchanan of "xenophobia, isolationism and race-baiting" and said he had



"hijacked Mr Duke's in age and put a jacket and fine on it. Mr Buchanan said he was fighting for his principles and the fature of his party, and would not pull out merely because he had lost the battle

The best news for the White House yesterday was a press report containing new allegations about Bill Clinton, the Democrat front-runner, who won both South Carolina's primary and the Wyeming. cancuses on Saturday. According to The New York Times, Mr Clinton and his wife, Hillary, were business partners in 1978 with the owner of a failing Savings and Loans company which was kept alive by the state of Mrs. Clinton's legal advice while Mr Clinton was governor of Arkansas. nor of Arkansas. Earlier, in a victory here on

Saturday which surprised no one, Mr Clinton won 63 per cent of the vote. He is well placed for success tomorrow in Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas. But Paul Tsongas, his closest rival, won an unexpectedly high 19 per cent. Mr Tsongas also won Saturday's Arizona Goodwill between the two

Democrat camps is disappearing fast. In Florida, Mr Tsongas paraded a toy "Pander Bear" to show his opponent's willingness to pander to the electorate with tax cuts and other bribes. In South Carolina, a volunteer poliwatcher for the Tsongas campaign pressed assault charges against an official from the Clinton-dominated state party whom he claimed had gripped him round the neck to enforce an election by law, That was not the only irreg-

plar incident on a day when Democratis were holding their first, ever presidential primary Fölling stations varied in their interpretation of me rules. Many voters were turned away because volunteers stewards made lunch a higher granny fran democ-racy Al-Charleston's Finefields remain chib, the secrety of the Democratic ballot was manufacted by a booth made from a Xerox-paper box; the Republicans had two boxes.

Monitoring this poll was a cautionary tale for any analyst apt to make too much of small percentages. Around Charleston, however, there were signs of another troublesome trend for Mr Bush. Discontented liberal Republicans, citing Mr Bush's antiabortion stance, his undig-nified mission to Japan and his economic failures, were voting for Paul Tsongas.

· New York: President sh's eldest son, George W. Bush, has been accused of involvement in questionable business dealings at a small oil company. The magazine US News and World Report said that it had examined Mr Bush Jr's investments in Harken Energy Corp of Dallas and alleged that he had sold \$848,560 (£500,000) worth of stock one week before a poor earnings report started a



Feeling the pace: President Bush, jogging at Pensacola naval air base, ponders a reporter's question about the arrival near the Gulf of two North Korean vessels said to be carrying Scud missiles for Iran and Syria

# Tsongas kowtows to the Condo Commandos

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN SUNNY ISLES, FLOREDA

They are called the Condo Commandos. Hundreds of thousands of them live in Condominium Canyon, the double wall of apartment blocks lining Florida's south-east coast for 60 miles from Palm Beach to Miami. They organise and agitate, vote en massé and en bloc. Such is maste and en bloc. Such is the political muscle of these predominantly Jewish setir-ees from the North that even the incorruptible Paul Tson-gus, desperate to win Florida in tomorrow's Super Tuesday primary, modifies his austre nessage to appease them: An end to global warming

to prevent the condos being flooded. Better health care. Strong support for Israel In-flation linked pensions for all but the super-rich. The Democratic presidential can-didate promised all this to a silver-haired audience of elected representatives from

200 condos last weekend.
Mr Tsongas did "very
well", ruled Marvin Manning, Commando-in-Chief,
President of the Tri-county Condo Alliance, and a relative youth at 66. These peo-ple have nothing to do but sit in the sun and talk. This will spread like wildfire."

It was a happier event for Mr Tsongts than that morn-ing's anti-crime rally in

Overtown, Miami's drug-rid-den, riot-torn black district, whose senior police officer boasted that "even New York can't compete with what's happening here". Bevies of police turned out to protect the cerebral whitie, but noone came to listen.

A merica's fourth biggest A state is critical to Mr Tsongas, who has all but eliminated Bill Clinton's big early lead here. This is his best chance of stopping the Arkansas governor from clean-sweeping the South to-morrow. It is also their first all-out confrontation on neutral territory, Florida being in the South but not of it. With 1,000 new arrivals daily and three-quarters of the population from outside the state, it is the only place outside New England where being a Massachusetts Greek is not a liability.

The Florida Panhandle is

Redneck Riviera. There are working-class white "Bubbas" and Southern Dixiecrats in Tallahassec, yuppies and born-again Christians in the Orlando to Tampa corridor. The further south you go, the more Northern the state becomes, until you reach Miami, a riot of rabidly Republican Cuban exiles, dispossessed Haitians and Latin Americans of every hue, minorities within

Only in Florida does foreign policy — Castro, the Middle East peace talks matter this year. Only here have the candidates faced lobbyists for Alzheimer's victims. Effective campaigning and polling in so fragmented a state is almost impossible. Mr Clinton has money, but in a state where roughly 40 per cent of the Democrats' 1988 voters were over 60 the disciplined Condo Comman-

dos could prove decisive. They are unhappy about Mr Clinton's Vietnam draft record. "He's going to lose votes on it, no doubt about it," warned Mr Manning. "It's really a hardcore, basic

### Right-wing Israeli arrested

Los Angeles: Irv Rubin, the chairman of the extreme right-wing Jewish Defence League, was held here in connection with an alleged mur-der conspiracy. Police said they were also looking for a

second man.

Details of the alleged conspiracy were withheld pending a second arrest, police said. The arrest stemmed from an incident in San Pedro, about 30 miles south of Los Angeles. Police said a man had told them that Mr Rubin had hired him for a friend involved in a dispute with a business associate. The man had not carried out the

Mr Rubin, aged 46, from Monrovia, near Los Angeles. denied involvement in a murder plot, his lawyer, Steven Goldberg, said. "He has no idea where they're coming from or what they're based on. He does not know who the alleged victim is supposed to be," Mr Goldberg said. "Not only are the charges false but they appear to come from another planet."

In 1985, Mr Rubin suc-ceeded Meir Kahane, who was shot in November 1990, as league chairman when the group splintered into the Los Angeles-based Jewish Defence League and the New York-based Jewish Defence Organisation. Mr Goldberg said police told him the allegations did not involve the Jewish Defence League. Yitzhak Ben Moshe, chairman of the league's Los Angeles chapter, said the accusation against Rubin was "totally without merit". (AP)

Pipeline bomb Bogotá: Left-wing Colombi-an guerrillas blew up a section of the trans-Andean oil pipeline on the eve of last night's municipal elections. The pipeline carries oil from the southern province of Putumayo to the Pacific port of Tumaco. Police said the guerrillas also attacked a communications tower near the southwestern city of Cali,

Museum piece Portsmouth, New Hamp-shire: Two shrunken heads

cutting off thousands of tele-phones in the region. (Reuter)

fetched a total of \$22,000 (E13,000) at an auction of Indian artefacts. The 19thcentury heads were bought by Ripley's Believe It or Not for its museum collection. (AP)

# Aziz seeks to head off UN action

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

TARIQ Aziz, the Iraqi deputy prime minister, flew to New York from Jordan last night to face a public tongue-lashing by the United Nations Security Council over Baghlad's failure to co-operate in dismantling its nuclear. hemical, biological and balstic weapons programmes. When he appears before he council on Wednesday, Mr Aziz, the first senior Iraqi fficial to visit America since he Gulf war, is likely to try to

ead off new action to force laghdad to comply with the N's resolutions. Over the past week Britain nd America have evoked the ossibility of using force to move suspected nuclear falities and missile caches, but plomats consider military tion highly unlikely given

sion from within the America armed forces to possible military entanglements everal members of the

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Huse of Representatives foreig afairs committee, incluling Dante Fascell, its charmen, urged President

Bush yesterday to consider military action. Iraq is obliged to scrap its weapons under Resolution 687, which covered the ceasefire in the

said yesterday that he would support military action against fraq if it was sametioned by the United Nations. He said on Radio 4's Sunday that he would not rule out a strike if Iraq continued to obstruct the destruction of its missiles. "If that proves to be necessary, the answer is yes, I would support it," the prime

Among options being examined by the security council is a scheme to confiscate part of Iraq's assets, estimated at up to \$5 billion (£3 billion), which were frozen after the invasion of Kuwait in August 1990. Most of the assets are held in America. Britain and Switzerland, but big legal and practical diffi-culties would need to be overcome before they could be

Mr Aziz is expected to link further co-operation with

calls for a relaxation of the embargo that has crippled the Iraqi economy, an approach that the UN will almost certainly reject. Western officials believe that President In London, John Major Saddam Hussein is intent on wearing down the resolve of the UN over time, giving ground at the last minute each time the pressure is

increased.

Last week Irani officials refused to let a team of UN missile experts dismande a factory that made compo-

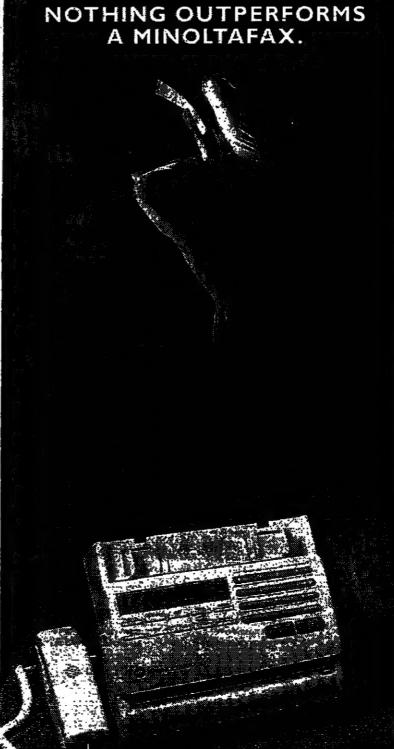


Saddam: trying to wear down UN's resolve

nexts for missiles, claiming that they produced only shorter-range missiles. Rolf Ekeus, head of the UN commission overseeing Iraqi compliance with the UN resolutions, says that he believes Baghdad is still hiding chemical weapon production facilities, as well as parts of its nuclear programme and a biological weapons production programme. Kuwait also has been complaining that Iraq has not returned all missing Kuwaiti citizens and property looted after its inva-sion in 1990.

American warships were reported yesterday to be pre-paring to intercept two North Korean ships approaching the Gulf from the Indian Ocean. The ships are said to be carrying sophisticated Scud missiles for Iran and

Mr Bush said on Saturday that he would not rule out American intervention to prevent the delivery of the weapons. Israel, which was hit by Scools, during the Gulf war, has larged America to take action against the vessels.



### Kuwait turns back on maids' suffering blame on the agencies.

HWAITS postwar image is eing tarnished by the trement being meted out to any of the Asian maids wh have been returning her in tens of thousands. liring celebrations to

mak liberation from Iraq. abet 250 women were foud by reporters to have talo refuge in the embassieof the Philippines, Sri Lara, India and Banglades where their fate remas uncertain. Although thewomen were trying to escpe their employers. ma were unable to leave the country because they ha forfeited passports or we unable to pay back sus for their travel to their emloyers to secure exit

They are very much the 2th-century equivalent of slies", an envoy said. "here is little doubt their tritment has worsened size the war, but nobody is se why. With hundreds

Asian maids in Kuwait are being raped, cheated and abused by their employers, Christopher : Walker reports

more arriving daily, the number of these unfortinate women seeking refuge is bound to grow."

Many of the 250 said that they had been beaten. raped, cheated or abused by their rich Kuwaiti employers and some bore the marks of ill treatment. Some said they had been physically attacked for failing to perform heavy domestic duties and others reported wages much lower

than promised. The callous treatment of the army of domestic servants sent to Kuwait by of-

ten dubious employment agencies with bases here and in the Third World begins at the international airport. In one 60-minute period, I counted more than 300 disoriented-looking maids from Sri Lanka waiting for their Kuwaiti sponsors. Few could speak Arabic or English, and each wore a large green or white card pinned to their chest to identify them. In another part of the building, would-

be servants had been sleeping out unable to make contact with their sponsors. Sheikh Salem Sabah al-Salem, the foreign minister, was repeatedly pressed about the scandal during a press conference to mark liberation. But he repeatedly tried to shrug off angry questions from an American television reporter, denying the fugitives were as many as claimed by report-

ers who had visited the com-

pounds. He tried to put the

wait is not aware of any serious complaint from the embassies," he said: "There is always misunderstanding between the employer and employees, like in any other place in the world." The Philippines embassy, where about 150 women

are in permanent residence, said five women had suffered serious injuries. An official claimed that, on average, two Filipinas complained of rape every month. At the Sri Lankan compound, journalists were shown pictures of maids with cigarette burns on their bodies, alleged to have been inflicted by Kuwaitis. A diplomat said the mission received up to six complaints a month from maids who said they had been raped. Kuwait's police said that: in the absence of a law regulating agencies, there was little they could do.



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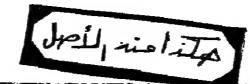
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# Mandela and Botha issue warnings on referendum

From Ray Kennedy in Johannesburg

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The referendum came

paiens have now moved into overdrive, with the right-wing

alliance of the Conservative party, the Herstigte Na

sionale party and the Afrika-ner Resistance Movement holding what they hoped would be a mass rally on

Saturday in Pretoria. Al-

though the organisers had

apparently expected a crowd of 50,000, fewer than 5,000

turned up.

The "yes" vote campaign has attracted the backing of

foreign governments and a E400,000 advertising cam-

paign sponsored by local big business, yet there is shrewd

awareness in government cir-cles of the skilful campaign-

ing of the Conservative party.

and its alliance partners in

traditional areas of support,

and concern that apathy

among English-speaking voters will lead to Mr de Klerk

securing a much lower major-ity than the sweeping victory he needs.

The Conservative party has

also warned companies sup-

porting a "yes" vote that they are facing the risk of consum-

er boycotis, a weapon perfected by voteless blacks, unless

they shut up. Andries Beyers.

the Conservatives national

secretary, said thousands of

potential "no" voters were

stock exchange investors,

pension fund contributors

and businessmen who could

easily move their money.

lege to vote to use it".

NELSON Mandela, the leader of he African National Congress, warned South African whites yesterday that, if next veek's referendum on reforms leads to a return to petty apartheid and "the hopesof the majority of South Africans are thwarted, the stress and upheavals of the past vill be like a game of

Meanwhile, P.W. Botha, the former president, has de-clared that he will vote "no". He described the multiparty Convention for a Democratic South Africa (Codesa) as "an expensive and artificial Tow-er of label" dominated by the South African Communist party and said he would not be unrue to himself and take part in the suicide of his own

President de Klerk reacted by nding that Mr Botha had begun the initiative which had ed to the release of Mr Mandela and other ANC leade's "I cannot but believe current conduct is motivated to a large extent by personal resentment," Mr de Klerk alded

Mr Mandela's words appeared in the mass-circulation Johannesburg Sunday Times. The newspaper has a mainly English-speaking readership which is the target of both the ruling National party, which wants a "yes" vote, and the right-wing alliance led by the Conservative

### **Over 100** pilgrims drowned

Banglok: More than a hundred people drowned yesterfter their ferry was struckby a Thai oil tanker in a sea ane south of Bangkok (Neil Lelly writes). The ferry's captain was among the survivors ind was detained by

An interior ministry official said that 119 bodies had were expected to be found when the search resumes today. About 140 people are thought to have been on the vessel They were members of a Chinese Thai group on pilgrimige to Buddhist shrines on K. Si Chang Island.

#### Election help



London: To mark Commonwealth day today, Chief Emeka Anyaoku, above, the Commonwealth secretarygeneral, has announced two election-monitoring exercises to reinforce democracy in member nations (Michael Binyon writes). Constitutional and electoral experts have been sent to Lesotho, and a legal drafter is in the Sey-chelles. Both have asked the Commonwealth to monitor

#### Refugees die

Dhaka: At least 100 Muslims were killed when the Burmese navy fired on two fishing trawlers ferrying about 400 refugees across the border into southeast Bangladesh (Ahmed Fazi writes). Abul Hussain, a survivor, said in Teknaf that gunboats attacked the trawlers about seven miles from Akyab, a Burmese provincial capital, sinking one of them in the Naf river.

#### Taking revenge

Ankara: The Islamic Revenge Organisation admitted planting the car bomb on Saturday that killed Ehud Sadan, aged 37, an Israeli security officer here. The group was aveng-ing the killing of Sheikh Abbas Moussawi. (Reuter)

### Cash warriors

Peking: A Chinese official has proposed raising hard currency through the sale of some of the 7,000 terracotta figures of warriors buried in the tomb of the first emperor, Chin Shih Huang, more than 2,000 years ago. (AP)

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d earth: farmers surveying the sun-baked bed of the Graaf-Reinet dam in the Cape province. One of the worst dry spells on record has led to crop failure and is forcing southern African countries to import food amid fear of social unrest

# Famine threatens drought-gripped Africa

One of the worst droughts in living memory is ravaging crops in southern Africa and threatening millions of people with starvation. Lack of rain is devastating harvests and grazing land at a time when stocks of the region's main staple, maize, are low.

"Unless measures are taken immediately to cover the shortfall in cereal production, southern Africa faces the prospect of widespread

Projected maize yield down from 1:2 million tonnes to less than 500,000, nearly one million tonnes costing \$300 million to be

Plans to import two million tonnes of maize

Has lost 80% of malze yield, will have to import 100,000 tohnes; sorghum prices to rise by 40%

One third of cultivated area affected, will need to import 50,000

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tonnes of maizs

As arid conditions spread and bring emergencies in southern Africa, Judith Matloff in Johannesburg assesses needs country by country. famine later this year,"

Edouard Saouma, directorgeneral of the UN's Food and Agriculture Organisation, said. Crop failures in South Africa and Zimbabwe; traditional bread baskets for the region's 100 

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million people, have exacer-bated the situation, South Africa, normally a maize exporter, might have to import three million tonnes to cover local needs and export commitments, the state-run Maize Board said. The

MOZAMBIQUE TANZANIA Will need to import one MALAWI Expected shortfall of 200,000 tonnes of grain is host to one million Mozambique refugees S. April BOTSWANA SOUTH AFRICA

Maize production yield down from 7.8 million tonnes to less than 4 rise by 15% to 24%, shrink by one third

Meat Board issued a warning that the drought could push up meat prices by 15 to 24 per cent. Zimbabwe plans to im-

port two million tonnes to avert starvation while officials say maize could run out over the next two months, threatening unrest. Zimba-bwe had imported less than one-third of 100,000 tonnes bought from South Africa. Zambia has declared a

national disaster after dry heat destroyed cereal and other food crops. Its projected 1.2 million tonne maize yield has shrunk to 400,300 tonnes and it is expected to import more than 800,000 tonnes costing £171 million.

Namibia reckons it lost 80 per cent of the commercial maize crop. A record 25,000 hectares planted after a bumper 1991 may yield 10,000 to 15,000 tonnes against 50,000 initially expected. It must import more than 100,000 tonnes.

Only 20 per cent of the normal area for cash and food crops was planted son. Sorghum prices last month rose over 40 per cent.

Normally Botswana produces 50,000 tonnes and imports 170,000 tonnes of cereals from South Africa.

Lesotho officials estimate that it will need to import 200,000 tonnes of maize and prices are due to double to 52.40 rand (more than E4) a kg. Sorghum, bean and pea prices are due to rise by up to 70 per cent.

Iturage is shrinking and some farmers have cut their selling prices from \$210 to \$40 per head. Drought has affected 30 per cent of the 43.885 hectares of maize. wheat and rice.

Mozambique will need to import one million tonnes of maize due to the drought in six southern and central provinces, the Harare-based Regional Early Warning System for Food Security says. The civil war disrupted transport. A million Mozambican refugees in Malawi are worsening the expected shortfall of 200,000 tonnes of grain.

As famine conditions 5,000 fled to Kenya during the weekend. (Reuter)

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# Mikhail and Raisa fall for the French

In an interview with a Swiss newspaper, Mikhail Gorbachev and his wife betrayed a liking for French culture. He said his favourite film actor was the legendary Jean Gabin, and that he was also fond of comedian Pierre Richard and singer Joe Dassin. Raisa chipped in to mention her liking for cinema star Alain Delon.

Mr Gorbachev also revealed a hitherto unknown talent. "It may surprise you but I very much like singing myself. I began with Ukrainian folk songs, because my roots are in Ukraine," he said. But he added that he loved symphonic works, particular-ly Mahler.

Cardinal Jaime Sin of the Philippines has urged gov-ernment officials to be faithful to their wives after Corazon Aquino, the presi-dent, turned the morality of presidential candidates into an issue when she said the successful candidate should end any liaisons. Miriam Santiago, a former judge and one of the two women running for president, said the hectic campaigning had ruined her sex life. "Right now, my sex drive is like that of a frozen yoghurt," she said.

Animator Arthur Babbitt, who worked on the Walt Disney classics Fantasia and Snow White, has died aged 84. Among his most famous creations was the dancing mushrooms sequence in

Japanese police arrested Jazz drummer Al Foster on Sunday on suspicion of smug-gling heroin into Japan. Police said they had delayed the arrest for a week to allow Foster, who is in Japan with the Herbie Hancock Trio, to finish his tour.

Sir Larry Lamb, former editor of the Sun and the Daily Express, is in a coma in a Sydney hospital after suffering a heart attack on Thursday. The hospital said Sir Larry was on a life-support machine in intensive care.

# China to voice its **Hong Kong fears**

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor, and Catherine Sampson in peking

QIAN Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister, begins talks this morning with the prime minister and Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, on recent disagreements between China and the Hong Kong government, as well as the instability in the former Soviet Union and other world Mr Qian, making his first visit to Britain under the

agreement signed by John Major last year for regular consultations, is expected to express opposition to Hong Kong's plans to turn the gov-ernment television station into a corporation. Peking wants to ensure the govern-ment retains control of broadcasting when Hong Kong

reverts to China in 1997. Several other irritants have preoccupied the work of the Joint Liaison Group. China last week questioned the choice of a British-led consortium to design the new air-port terminal, and Lu Ping, the director of China's Hong Kong and Macao affairs office, demanded an explanation of why the highest bidder was chosen. His criticism, coming after other challenges

to Hong Kong government decisions, raises questions over whether Peking will let Hong Kong run its own affairs for the next five years. Mr Qian will meet MPs from the Britain-China par-

liamentary group, who are likely to press him on human rights. He will also meet Gerald Kaufman, opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, Margaret Thatcher and Ed-The Chinese are likely to

make clear their worries about the political instability in the Commonwealth of Independent States, and will ask about European Community aid to Russia and the republics. The repatriation of boat people from Hong Kong to Vietnam is also on the agenda, and Britain will probably ask Mr Qian for Peking's support for the Uni-ted Nations' peacekeeping operations in Cambodia.

Human rights activists are likely to dog Mr Qian on his visit to Britain, Brussels and Bonn. Several former political prisoners in China are visiting Britain to draw attention to the condition of those

### **Peking** sounds alarm

BY CATHERINE SAMPSON

TOMUR Dawamat, the local government chairman in China's volatile northwestern region of Xinjiang, has called on the security forces, including the People's Liberation Army, to resist a new wave of what he described as sabotage and subversion by independence activists. Peking is sounding the alarm after exiled Uighurs in

neighbouring Kazakhstan, calling themselves the Front for the Liberation of Uighurstan, announced last week that they would launch a guerrilla war to take back Xinjiang from Chinese rule. Referring to the separatists, the chairman said: "Hostile forces at home and abroad have stepped up their infiltration, subversion and

He said that the army, mili-tia and police should work together closely to defeat the threat and gave a warning that separatists should be "harshly punished". This usually means execution or

Tomur Dawamat is himself a Uighur, but represents Chinese rule in the region.

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Australia ordains ten women priests after court plea fails BY RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT AUSTRALIA'S Anglican church has ordained its preme court on Friday, Jus-tice Kerry White rejected an application to stop the

first women priests after a court rejected an attempt to prevent it doing so. Ten women and the hus-

band of one of them were ordained on Saturday at St George's cathedral in Perth. Western Australia. The ordinations were condemned by opponents of women priests in the Church of England as "divisive and destructive".

Dr Peter Carnley, Archbishop of Perth and an advocate of women priests, ordained the women in a crowded cathedral. Hundreds waited outside. In the Western Australian su-

The archbishop said in his sermon: Today we ordain ten, but we liberate tens of thousands from the stereotype with which they have been bound." He said the church positively needto all aspects of its life.

"Today is the day of the glorious liberation of the children of God from the cloying wallpaper of ste-reotype with which women have been wrapped

spectives for the candidates themselves and women generally, for the church of this diocese and in Australia, and for the world of the future." The Rev Geoffrey Kirk, of Cost of Conscience, a

body which opposes women priests in England. said in a debate with Caroline Davis, executive secretary of the Movement for the Ordination of Women, on BBC Radio 4's Sunday programme that he hoped "the church will see how divisive and destructive this is, and turn away from

Shevardnadze: former KGB and party chief faces daunting task of uniting his country

# Returning strongman tells Georgia hard truths

the master diplomat who as the former Soviet foreign minister helped to bring down the Berlin Wall and the Iron Curtain, settled down esterday to the no less daunting task of uniting his own

conflict-ridden country. Mr Shevardnadze's reputation abroad, acquired over nearly six years as the suave foreign minister of the Gorbachev era, is not necessarily matched in his native region. To the outside world, he embodies the liberalism of the end of the Soviet Union; Georgians, or some of them, associate him with his time, in a previous incarnation, as hardline head of the KGB and then party leader in Thi-lisi. Hallmark of those years was a ruthless purging of corruption endemic in Georgia's free-wheeling life style.

Now aged 64, he stepped back into Georgia's politics yesterday by saying that his Black Sea republic, long syn-

hedonism, was on the brink of economic disaster. "If we cannot unite all political forces, all public figures and all races . . . we shall be facing catastrophe," Mr Shevardnadze said after an initial round of consultations with political leaders. He described food reserves as minimal, and said the situation was no less serious in fertile nural areas than it was in Toilisi, the capital, where bread queues have been

December and January by fighting that led to the overthrow of the controversial and eccentric President Gamsa-khurdia, elected last May but rapidly denounced at home and abroad for his authoritarian behaviour. Since then, a provisional leadership headed by Jaba Ioseliani, a guerrilla chieftain, has been struggling with only partial success to restore order and

Georgia was torn apart in

Eduard Shevardnadze will need all his skills to rescue the Georgian economy, Bruce Clark writes from Tbilisi

end the republic's diplomatic

A crowd of about 5,000 people gathered at Tbilisi airport and cheered enthusiastically when Mr Shevardnadze's aircraft arrived on Saturday. If the numbers did not quite amount to the toiling masses of Georgia, the turnout was impressive enough, considering that public transport - notably the underground system has virtually ceased to

Within minutes of arriving, looking dazed and a little nervous, for his first visit to Tbilisi in four years, Mr Shevardnadze made some well-judged gestures that pre-sumably were intended as public acts of repentance for

his communist past. The former Communist party boss who was Georgia's effective ruler from 1972 to 1985 went straight from the airport to see Patriach Ilya, leader of the Georgian Orthodox Church, at his handsome riverside residence. Then Mr Shevardnadze went to the cemetery. where the victims of the re-

Next, he inspected the erstwhile pride of the capital, which was devastated by rocket and artillery fire. As he inspected the blackened shells of once distinguished public buildings, many Georgians must have sensed a certain irony. It is axiomatic among supporters of Mr Gamsakhurdia — and pri-

cent fighting are buried.

vately admitted by many of his opponents - that moral support from Mr Shevardnadze was a decisive factor in the success of the rebellion.

The fact that Mr Shevardnadze is now welcomed by most people, at least in the capital, is a measure of the extraordinary changes that have overtaken the republic in the past six months. In September, the huge pro-Gamsakhurdia crowds cheered wildly when a government official emerged to make the absurd claim that Mr Shevardnadze had been arrested in Moscow.

The ravages of war, however, and above all the rigours of economic austerity (many districts of Tbilisi are effectively without electricity, water or gas), have brought home some hard truths to a nation with expensive tastes. Mr Gamsakhurdia appealed to the romantic streak in Georgians which told them that their country could succeed

appeals to the Gorgians' pragmatic instincts which tell them that isolation from Russia and the West is to high a price to pay for wayvard independence. Mr Shevardnadze said yesterday that he had received promises of aid for Georgia from several Western countries and he was confident of more.

Georgia's new strong man could not be more different in style than the ousted rationalist. Mr Gamsakhurtia was by instinct a divider: 1 man who rushed to denoune anyone who dissented from his nationalist line as an enemy of the people. Mr Shevard-nadze, by contrast is ramembered here as a skilled unifier. a superb practitioner of the art of buying off poential opposition. He has aready won the trust of pelitical groups that were considerably more strident in their anti-communism that Mr Gamsakhurdia ever wax

#### Fighting rages in Azerbaijan enclave

# Turks seek US help in finding solution

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor, and Andrew Finkel in Istanbul

IN THE first test of its new regional role among the countries of the former Soviet Union, Turkey called on America at the weekend to mediate in the search for a solution in Nagorno-Karabakh. Hikmet Cetin, the foreign minister, telephoned James Baker, American Secretary of State, on Saturday and told him that the conflict

threatened regional peace.
Fierce fighting continued at the weekend in the disputed enclave. However, Yagub Mamedov, who took over on Friday from Ayaz Mutalibov as Azerbaijan's interim president, has taken a "dovish" line despite the increasingly bellicose public mood. He told Western correspondents that negotiations must be

I do not support a military solution because we have not yet exhausted all other possi-bilities," he said. He will come under strong pressure

# Belgian leader faces test

Brussels: Jean-Luc Dehaene aged 51, the new Flemish Christian Democrat leader of the Belgian government, will face a baptism of fire in a confidence vote tomorrow (George Brock writes). In-vited by King Baudouin to end three and a half months of political uncertainty after an indecisive general election he has brought together a four-party majority coalition of Socialists and Christian Democrats from Dutchspeaking Flanders and French-speaking Wallonia. Mr Dehaene's cabinet of

16 members, sworn in on Saturday, left out Wilfried Martens, Belgium's veteran prime minister, who has led the country for almost all of the past 12 years. Last year, his reputation as a masterfixer and coalition-maker waned, however.

The new prime minister is a portly man with a taste for football and classical music. He was described recently by a Belgian newspaper as "one

### Roll of martyrs

Rome: The Pope has recog-nised the martyrdom of 76 people, mostly clerics killed in hatred of the faith" during the Mexican and Spanish civil wars. They may now be beatified. (Reuter)

### Romania call

Bucharest: After last week's ethnic clashes in which several people were killed, Romania's opposition has urged the government to denounce at-tacks on the Romanian majority in Moldavia. (Reuter)

#### Bonn doubts

Hamburg: America has asked Germany to join a worldwide version of its "Star Wars" space defence system. the magazine Der Spiegel reported. But, it said, Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, had serious doubts. (Reuter)

#### Suicide protest

Berlin: Detlef Dalk, an east German who faced losing his house as compensation to a man who had fled communism, has killed himself. The suicide led to calls for the 1990 unification treaty to be amended. (Reuter)

to intensify the Azerbaijani war effort when parliament resumes its emergency debate on Nagorno-Karabakh in Baku, the Azerbaijani capital,

Mr Cetin has just returned from a tour of Central Asia and Ukraine, and Ankara is proposing a "two-corridor" solution to bring about peace between Armenia and Azerbaijan. This calls for a land corridor giving Armenians access to Nagorno-Karabakh in exchange for a strip of land that would allow Azerbaijanis to have access to their countrymen in the enclave of Nakhichivan on the Turkish-Iranian border.

Such a solution would give the Turks direct land access to the Turkic-speaking people of Azerbaijan, and incidentalwould remove Armenia's border with Iran. But Mr Cetin said there would have to be a ceasefire before any long-term proposals could be discussed. After making a second, unplanned stop in Baku, he appeared shocked by a film he saw of Armenian atrocities committed against

Mr Cetin leaves today for the first meeting at foreign minister level of the Nato Cooperation Council, which groups Nato and the former members of the Warsaw Pact. The Commonwealth of Independent States will be admitted to the council tomorrow and Armenia and Azerbaijan will be represented. The council is unlikely to attempt any mediation of its

own, however. Turkey is par-

ticularly concerned about the fighting because it threatens instability on its border, eopardises Ankara's attempt to improve relations with Armenia, and could blight hopes of bringing the Transcaucasus within a loose sphere of Turkish influence.

Although he pledged medi-cal and humanitarian assistance, Mr Cetin is coming under increasing pressure, not least from President Ozal, to support Azerbaijan more aggressively. There are calls to mobilise Turkish troops and shift winter military exercises now going on near the city of Kars closer to the Armenian border. Last week President Ozal said that it was necessary to "scare the Armenians a little". However, Suleyman Demirel, the prime minister, replied that nothing would raily Western public opinion around the Armenians so effectively as for Tur-key to be seen to take sides in

Turkey is able to stop the flow of emergency aid pass-ing by rail to the Armenian border. Armenia is known to regard the development of the Trabzon as an important link to the outside world. Howe er, Armenia is a sensitive subject in the Turkish foreign ministry, where memories of colleagues murdered in a campaign by an Armenian underground are still fresh. Turkish public opinion believes that the Western media, particularly in France and Germany, are biased in fayour of Armenia.

# Bread and milk price curbs end in Russia

BY MARY DEJEVSKY

THE Russian government has lifted price ceilings on bread, milk and a range of other staples which were exempt from the price liberalisation of January 2. An official announcement, signed by President Yeltsin, said that the measure was intended to improve supplies to the consumer.

Since state subsidies on most food and consumer 200ds were lifted, supplies to shoos have improved, but shortages of milk, cooking oil and other staples with regulated prices have persisted.

In Moscow, shops have recently started to sell milk from the back door at very high, unregulated prices. Bread supplies have been adequate, but queues built up in Moscow after the announcement ten days ago that price ceilings were to be lifted. Russian

government officials believe that the removal of price ceilings should attract supplies of milk back to the market and could reduce the black market price being demanded by back-door traders. The change in bread pricing will make little difference overall, as only two varieties were still sold at subsidised prices.

While state subsidies have been reduced or lifted, with a promise that the bulk of the money saved will be used to increase carefully "targeted" social benefits, local authorities are being encouraged to introduce discretionary subsidies of their own. An acute shortage of funds is likely to prevent them from doing so, but the move could deflect public hostility from the central to local government.

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FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

THE Russian Federation, which has been administered over the past year according to a largely ad hoc set of principles and a muchamended constitution inherited from the Communists, will start to look far more like a modern, independent and democratic state if a new constitution, completed at the weekend, is approved.

The new constitution would radically alter the balance of power between the president and parliament, which has caused so much trouble for Boris Yeltsin over the past year. It also assumes that Russia will have its own armed forces, despite many public statements to the contrary by Russian leaders.

The draft also casts doubt on Russia's long-term com-mitment to the Commonwealth of Independent States as anything more than a transient grouping of fully inde-pendent countries. It mentions the commonwealth only once, and then as an option: The Russian Federation has the right to enter a commonwealth (alliance) with other states and delegate to it some

of its powers." The constitutional provision for a Russian army supports this view of the commonwealth. Clause 128 says: The Russian Federation will be defended by the armed forces of the Russian Federation" whose "military doctrine, structure and organisation will be defined

by a federal law". The president will be the commanderin-chief. Only then do alliances come into the

equation. Democratic groups argued for ditching the old constitution and starting again on the basis of a draft proposed by Andrei Sakharov, the late human rights campaigner. Their conservative opponents fiercely resisted any attempt to dislodge the old document.

This conflict fostered all manner of contradictions. The current constitution provides for an executive president who has no real power. Mr Yeltsin was able to combat this only by persuading parliament to give him "spe-cial powers" and appointing himself head of government, empowered to dissolve parliament and hold new elections.

The new constitution would clip the wings of Rusian Khasbulatov, the chairman of parliament, who has built parliament into a substantial personal power base. Joint sessions of the two parliamentary chambers would become largely ceremonial. In the skirmishes before the

Russian Congress - or full parliament - convenes on April 6, the greatly altered constitutional relationship between president and parliament, which would give Mr Yeltsin powers more like those enjoyed by an American president, may be overlooked. This could be what Mr Yelf-

### Fears grow of Slovak breakaway

Splashing out: Gavriil Popov, the mayor of Moscow, joining other enthusiasts in the city yesterday in the popular Russian pastime of swimming in cold weather. The water temperature was a chilly 37F and the air temperature never rose above freezing

BY ROGER BOYES EAST EUROPE

CORRESPONDENT WITH Czechs and Slovaks moving closer to divorce, President Havel yesterday attacked Slovak nationalist politicians for thwarting plans for a referendum on inde-

Speaking on the BBC World Service's It's Your World programme, Mr Ha-vel rejected criticism that he was blocking Slovak independence. He had proposed a referendum for Slovaks which had been rejected by politicians in Bratislava. Perhaps they are afraid that a majority of ordinary people would want to stay in the joint Czechoslovak state," he said.

In spite of the president's efforts, the break-up of the state is becoming a real possi-bility. At the weekend a group within the ruling Slovak Christian Democratic party. indicated that it would set up a pro-independence faction. That seriously weakens the government of Jan Carnogursky, the moderate Christian Democrat Slovak prime minister, who wants Slovakia

in a loose federation. However, most of the Slovak political spectrum - the left-leaning nationalists of Vladimir Meciar, the former prime minister, the chauvinist Slovak Nationalist party, the former communists and now the breakaway group of Christian Democrats - want a complete divorce.

# Belgrade steps up pressure on rally

From Tim Judah and Dessa Trevisan in belgrade

THOUSANDS more police were being bused into Bel-grade at the weekend as the Serbian authorities stepped up pressure to dissuade opposition supporters from attending the big anti-government rally planned in the city for

today. Yesterday morning the Croatian authorities claimed that at least seven people had been killed during an over-night attack on the eastern town of Osijek. But the Yugoslav army claimed that Croatian forces had been attacking them and that they had not returned fire...

Referring to the increased police presence in Belgrade, Borisav Jovic, a leading member of Serbia's ruling Social-ist party, said: The auth-orities will defend themselves from those who work for foreign employers". Socialist politicians have given a warning that Croatian terrorists disguised as Yugoslav soldiers were preparing to infil-trate the demonstration. Posters have gone up in Belgrade, signed by an anonymous "group of citizens" saying that bombs disguised as pencils, pens and trinkets are to be be scattered during the rally.

The final campaign against the long-planned opposition demonstration came as the commander of the United Nations peacekeeping forces arrived in Belgrade yesterday evening. General Satish Nambiar, from India, was

accompanied by 40 experts who are to settle outstanding problems before the arrival of the main body of the 14,000strong force.

During today's raly Slo-bodan Milosevic, the president of Serbia, was to have been in Brussels attending a



one-day session of the European Community peace con-ference on Yugoslavia. This would have been the first meeting of the presidents of all six of the old Yugoslav republics since the last session of the conference in November. However last night, it was announced that Mr Milosevic would not be attending because he had been

involved in a car crash. The Yugoslav army, which intervened during the demonstrations a year ago, app-ears to be at the ready once again. A recent purge has removed many of the last remaining senior officiers who are not Serb or Monte-

On Saturday the defence ministry issued a stern warning saying that "in connection with the plan of extremist groups from within the country and from abroad to use this rally for attacks on vital objects ... Any attack on members of the armed forces or military objects ... will be responded to in accordance with military rules".

Bonn: A "black legion" of European neo-Nazis and former members of the East German people's army has been formed to fight alongside the Croatian national guard against the Serbians and federal Yugoslavian army, according to the German federal police (Ian Mur-

The legion's stated aim is to fight communism. Berliner Zeitung said police investigations also revealed that rightwing extremists had been smuggling weapons to help the Croatian resistance.

MADRID NOTEBOOK by Helena de Bertodano

# Operatic harmony returns after Olympics discord



lack of respect

The threat to the Barcelona Olympics in June posed by Eta, the Basque separatist organisation, is still potent and the police are mounting a huge security operation to ensure the games are not disrupted.

Another potential source of trouble - from Spain's leading tenors — has evaporated. Alfredo Kraus, who had been left out of the opening ceremony at Barce-lona by José Carreras, is to take part after all.

Jordi Sole, the minister of culture, intervened, meeting Car-reras and Kraus separately and, according to an official, appealing to them to "solve their differences which were jeopardising not only their reputations but also that of the Olympics".

Carreras, who is musical director of the ceremony, said he had left Kraus out because of his objections to "the abuse of opera at mass media events". But Kraus charged Carreras with "great lack of respect and consideration" and took the opportuni-ty to embarrass those taking part in the opening by stating that Montserrat Caballé, Plácido Domingo, Carreras and other opera

stars would be miming to a play-

back of a recording.

Kraus, who had accused the singers of forming a cultural mafia against him, accepted a belated invitation to the ceremony. saying: "I can hardly refuse after all this fuss. But everyone knows that I am a demanding singer, and I assume that I will offered a role worthy of my talents."

But Kraus insists he must be included in the recording, completed two months ago. That means it must either be repeated or his voice superimposed, a costly operation.

T he small spanish town of Banyoles, picked to host the Olympics rowing contest, is capitalising on a controversy over a mummified black man on display in the local museum. People are flocking to see the stuffed Kalahari Bushman, who, according to popular accounts, was robbed from his grave in Botswanz by a 19th-century French taxidermist. The mumm fied man so offended the sensibilities of a Haiti-born Spanish doctor that he has urged African countries to boycott the Olympics if the exhibit is not removed.

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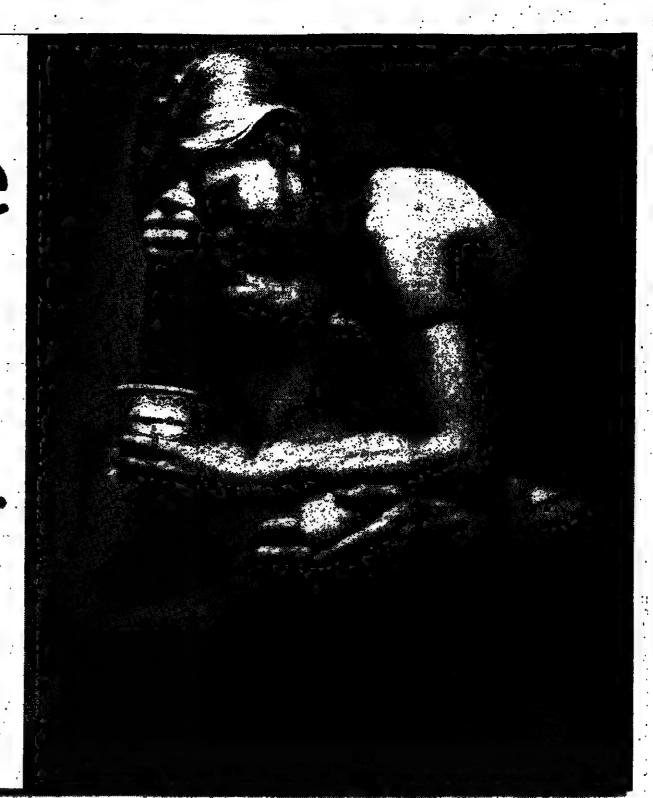
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# Dropping the electoral pilot

Peter Riddell on a man who changed

the way we look at general elections

ir Lewis Namier once described elections as locks on the river of British history, controlling the flow of events. For more than 40 years the lockkeeper has been David Butler. The way we think about the coming election will be heavily influenced by his work as founding father of British psephology, author of the Nuffield studies of elections, broadcaster, journalist and im-presario of wide-ranging debates about politics.

Last Friday, Dr Butler gave the last of his seminars at Nuffield College, Oxford, as he will this summer be retiring from his formal posts — though he will not be reducing his writing and other activities. The Butler seminar has become an institution over the past 35 years, at which leading MPs and civil servants educate the young about the methods of politics, about how the system really works as opposed to the textbook version. A commemorative volume presented to Dr Butler on Friday contained tributes from three former prime ministers, three former

cabinet secretaries (including a poem from Robert Armstrong) and many MPs, all of whom

have participated. Dr Butler admits the seminar is part exhibition and part analysis, as well as shameless lionhunting. The usual formula is for him to pose a series of questions for ten minutes to the guest, who gives an off-the-cuff reply.

Butler: a bridge-builder

lifelong friend, who is allowed to deliver a prepared address. This follows the advice of Mr Benn's father, Lord Stansgate, that he should never go to a public function without a clean handkerchief and a speech ready. The Butler seminar features several times in both the Benn and Crossman diaries. Mr Benn

records being "cross-examined most sharply" in February 1978 about accountability in Labour politics (a forerunner of his early 1980s effort to change the party's constitution), while Crossman reports in May 1966 on a discussion of cabinet government that it was 'a strange sensation to try out my thoughts on this subject", es-pecially when asked why he was not allowed to describe how cabinet committees worked or even to

say they took place. The value of the seminars is not only their candid insights but also the rare bridge they achieve between the largely separate worlds of politicians, academics and the media. Dr Butler believes that "good politics, like good theatre, needs good criticism." Many politicial scientists give the impression that they have seldom, if ever, talked to a real MP, let alone understood what makes the political world tick. Equally, not many MPs, and even fewer journalists, move beyond day-today events to reflect on the operation of the system. The Butler seminar has provided one of the very few such links. He, and close associates such as Vernon Bogdanor, have stimulated a de-

# RIDDELL ON MONDAY

bate about the constitutional and political implications of a hung Parliament among those likely to be closely involved in Whitehall and the parties.

As all who know him can testify, Dr Butler is generous with his time, advice and support to pupils and journalists alike. But his interest in the practice of politics, and his journalistic activities, have not always endeared him to fellow academics, who have meanly de-nied him a chair at Oxford.

Dr Butler's most enduring contribution is to have changed the way we look at elections. It is hard now to recall how elections were fought in the early 1950s, when there was no coverage by the broadcasters and the parties hardly ever engaged directly with each other. The big difference between then and now is not just the pervasive television coverage

, but the influence of polls, which have helped to clarify both the actions of politicians and the choices facing

Taking forward the pioneering work of R.B. Mo-Callum on the 1945 election, Dr Butler helped to dispel many of the myths that had ex-isted about what He has been like a

out information not revealed to journalists during

elections, such as the pressures on Edward Heath during the October 1974 campaign. Dr Bogdanor points out how Dr Butler stimulated the academic study of political behaviour through his book with Donald Stokes, Political Change in Britain, which highlighted generational change. One of the main criticisms of Dr

Butler's work is that he has

succeeded too well, that too much attention is paid to elections as turning points. In his recent book, British General Elections since 1945, he accepts that elections decide less than they appear to and less than is suggested in campaign rhetoric. He lists post-war land-marks, such as devaluations and entry into Europe, that would have happened whichever party was in power. Similarly, entry into the October 1990 will have a stronger influence on economic policy in the 1990s than the result of the coming campaign. Elections. he argues, do not usually decide the fate of nations; that is largely in the power of trends beyond the control of any government. Elections still play a central role in educating and influencing both electors and elected. What is thought to be acceptable to voters conditions

most of the decisions of Whitehall Dr Butler is a very English figure, in the tradition of Bagehot, epitomising a pragmatic rather than an ideological or philosophical approach. He has set the standard for the rest of us.

# Peter Barnard seeks a cure for his smoking addiction beyond the Chancellor's coaxings

Somewhere around 4pm to-morrow Norman Lamont will turn a norman morrow Norman Lamont will turn a page, leaving behind such arcane matters as offshore taxation. At this point the waiting millions will sit up and take notice as he announces what he is proposing to do to drinkers, smokers and users of petrol. By the time he sits down, it is a near certainty that with regard to one of those categories Mr Lamont will have missed the point.

He will be in good company: since the dangers of cigarettes became apparent, no Chancellor has shown the slightest understanding of how people might be put off smoking. William Walde-grave, the health secretary, has been lobbying for a duty increase of double what would be justified by inflation as an inducement for smokers to give up. Mr Walde-

Smoking and Aids have been the dominant health issues of the past decade. The government's policy for Aids focuses on prevention through education. Smoking policy is concentrated almost ex-clusively on penal taxation. Since Let us ban tobacco

the fiscal year 1985-86 the government campaign against Aids has contributed £62 million to advertising, £350 million to local authorities and regional health authorities for Aids related services, E8 million to the voluntary sector, E31 million over five years to the Medical Research Council and £16.75 million in support of the World Health Organisation's global Aids pro-

During the same period, government spending on attempts to stop people smoking consist of a five-year campaign, launched in late 1989 and costing E2 million a year, to show teenagers the dangers. An additional unspecified sum has been spent on a pamphlet launched in 1985 and updated yearly since. The total Health Education Council anti-smoking budget is £5 million a year. So, £467.75 million has been

spent on fighting Aids, a high proportion of that figure on prevention. The prevention of smoking gets loose change. Some may argue that the duty income from tohacco is so vast that the government pays only lip service to prevention, but this is unconvincing. However suspect the motiva-tion of politicians, it would take cynicism on the grand scale to believe that governments kill people in exchange for tax.

The truth is that smoking is so entrenched a habit that governments have taken on the psychological disposition of the smokers (and I speak as one). If Raleigh were to sail home with his tobacco leaves today, they would, as Virginia Bottomley has admitted, become a banned substance in the same way that far less harmful substances, notably cannabis, are banned. There is no sense in this differentation, but it continues because setting fire to tobacco leaves is "traditional".

The case for a radical policy towards smoking is overwhelming. The in-patient cost to the NHS of smoking-related diseases is running at £437 million a year, and on any given day 9.473 hospital beds are occupied by smokers. Smoking continues because nicotine is one of the world's most addictive drugs, and as such it will never be priced out of existence. To think that it can be is to misunderstand the scale of the addiction and the smoker's propensity for self-destruction, and self-delusion.

I am as irritated as any other smoker by the increasingly coy devices used to tell me that I cannot smoke ("thank you for not smoking" is the most obnoxious of these pre-emptive strikes) and I become as fretful as any persecuted minority when restaurants jam

me against walls in the corner farthest from the window.

But the game is up. Smokers need the kind of help given to Aids sufferers and heroin addicts. I am instinctively libertarian and opposed to most state intervention but the case for banning cigarettes is at least as strong as for banning heroin. A truly radical government would announce a ban on cigarette sales starting in, say, two years. In the meantime various services, such as hypnotherapy (which is proven to work in many cases) would be put on the NHS.

Taken over the long term, the cost of doing that would be infinitely less than the present cost of treating smokers. And the spending programme would by definition be finite. To say that the price weapon will eventually work is to ignore the fact that, although adult smoking has decreased, the teenage smoking curve has been flat for the past eight years. Nothing Mr Lamont can do tomorrow will alter that. Smokers need to be stopped, not taxed, and for society's benefit, not just

# Last exit for history's extras?

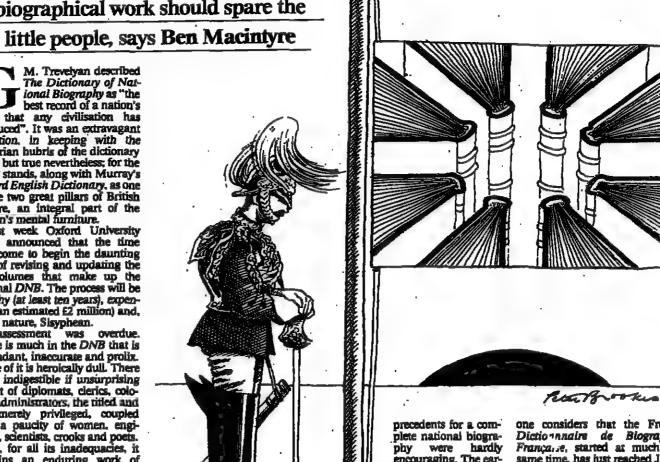
The impending cull of our greatest biographical work should spare the

M. Trevelyan described The Dictionary of Nat-ional Biography as "the best record of a nation's past that any civilisation has produced". It was an extravagant assertion, in keeping with the Victorian hubrls of the dictionary itself, but true nevertheless; for the DNB stands, along with Murray's Oxford English Dictionary, as one of the two great pillars of British culture, an integral part of the nation's mental furniture.

Last week Oxford University Press announced that the time had come to begin the daunting task of revising and updating the 22 volumes that make up the original DNB. The process will be lengthy (at least ten years), expensive (an estimated £2 million) and,

by its nature, Sisyphean.
Reassessment was overdue.
There is much in the DNB that is redundant, inaccurate and prolix. Some of it is heroically dull. There is an indigestible if unsurprising surfeit of diplomats, clerics, colonial administrators, the titled and the merely privileged, coupled with a paucity of women, engineers, scientists, crooks and poets. Yet, for all its inadequacies, it remains an enduring work of period literature and a unique documentary testament to the national character. It no longer provides what its authors intended, "full, accurate and concise biographies of all noteworthy in-habitants of the British Islands and the colonies (exclusive of living persons) from the earliest historical period to the present day" but therein lies its glory.

The dictionary is a place of serendipitous pleasures, a work of entertainment now, as much as education. If the new edition brings a more doubting prosopographical eye to bear on the dictionary, so much the better; if it means that future generations will be shielded from some of the most fascinating, if inconsequential, people in our history, then so The creation of a dictionary of



encouraging. The earlier Biographical Britannica had reached fore an abrupt cesss tion at the letter F. while the Society for the Diffusion of Useful

Knowledge became hopelessly bogged down at A, producing seven half-volumes on that letter and

nothing more.
In 1883 Stephen posted a list of historical notables whose names began with A on the notice-board of the Athenaeum, inviting suggestions and contributors. From 1885, with a regularity and dedi-cation unequalled in scholarship, one volume of the DNB was produced every three months for 15 h years - later reissued in 22 volumes. It was a phenomenal achievement, particularly when

one considers that the French Dictionnaire de Biographie Française, started at much the same time, has just reached J.

Stephen was under no illusions about the size and complexity of the labour; the strain of editing what he called "a diabolical piece of machinery" would finally result in his nervous collapse. Many of the entries were written by Stephen himself, or his tireless and grumpy co-editor, Sidney Lee. Between them they developed a biographical style, part acid eu-phemism, part tempered eulogy, that has been handed down to contributors and editors of supplemetary volumes and is one of the dictionary's joys.

The selection of subjects was dictated by the social as well as the political mores of the editors: subjects had not only to be great and good, but respectable and usually male. While Stephen attended to the grander personages, to Lee was left the task of illuminating the often rather dowdy lives of what Stephen called "the sec-ond rate people". It was Lee who was largely responsible for the peculiar peers and rum clergymen, the career diplomats and middlemen of empire — the lesser worthies, obsolete but intriguing still, that give the DNB its unique character and over whom the editorial axe is now poised.

From first (Abbadie, Jacques 1654?-1727) to last (Zuylestein, William Henry, Fourth Earl of Rochford 1717-1781) the DNB succeeds in turning apparently unedifying biography into fasci-nating history. Its use as reference may have diminished, but its capacity to entertain has not.

bbadie is a good example: Dean of Kiliaioe, preach-er and Christian apologist, his life was on the surface mundane. Yet he develops. in the space of a few paragraphs, a distinct character. "Relying upon a remarkable memory, he put off writing until copy was demanded by the printer." A serious fault, in the eyes of Stephen and Lee. He was "not too sedulous", we note, "for he was frequently absent from his benefice". What was he doing? Similarly Zuylestein, a foo who once "appeared in a set of birthday clothes with the Duke of Cumber land's head on every large plate button", introduced Lombardy poplars into the country.

Between them lie an extraordinary wealth of personalities, of which every browser has a favourite. My own is David Ochteriony Dyce-Sombre (1808-1851), described merely as "an eccentric character", the descendant of a Indian concubine and a Stras-bourg carpenter nicknamed Sombre due to his sour demeanour. He inherited a fortune, was unseated as an MP for "gross, systematic and extensive bribery", and was eventually "put under restraint as a lunatic at the Clarendon Hotel". Like many in the DNB, he is not

important, merely fascinating.
Some treasures must inevitably perish in the cull, and, judging by the record of editors of the supplementary volumes, the revisions will be carried out with judgment and humour. But it is a painful prospect. They can take Abbadie, they can even take Zuylestein. But let them not touch Dyce-Sombre.

### ...and moreover MATTHEW PARRIS

t is the eleventh hour. The ink may have dried. But, should Mr Lamont have a ballpoint and a bottle of Liquid Tipp-Ex to hand, I have a lastminute Budget submission.

Breaking with tradition last year, the Chancellor put a tax on something we don't like, instead of something we do: mobile phones. He got a cheer. He could get several more tomorrow if he follows my I want a tax on nose hairs. In

the 1950s, the founder of the McDonald's hamburger chain, Ray Kroc, ordered daily checks on every employee's nostrils. This was draconian. In a free society, people should be allowed to grow hair from their nostrils, if that is what their conscience tells them. But they should pay for the environ mental intrusion. A nose hair licence, like a dog licence, could be purchased and produced on demand.

The police could add this check to their patrol duties. However, in emergencies, a citizen's arrest would be justified. To those who whine that this problem afflicts the elderly. I reply that tweezers

are cheap. Nor do I discriminate against senior citizens, for my second proposal is for a tax on "heavy metal" music. This would take the form of a levy on tapes, cassettes and CDs. Tory party chiefs who fear losing votes from heavy-metal fans should be re-minded that anyone over 18 who is still listening to this kind of thing is either a poll tax dodger and off the voters' roll, or brain-dead, or both.

Now one for citizens of all ages: an incentive, not a penalty. Environmentally friendly products, such as lead-free petrol, enjoy tax breaks already, but some politicians go further: they propose similar incentives for manufacturers whose packag-ing is environmentally triendly, so that (for instance) tax breaks are extended to packagers who use biodegradable wrappers or containers that are reusable.

But what about containers that are unopenable? There must be a way that a packet of muts can be made accessible to a person of normal intelligence, and it cannot be a law of nature that little cartons of UHT milk must explode when probed. To invent a carton that really pours should be within the wit of man. But we always forget which brands to avoid, remembering only that we often have difficulty with nuts: so consumer choice

brenks down.
The problem merits a small interfering tweak by govern-ment. I can assure ministers that this is of far greater concern to most citizens than whether the West Midlands is to have its own regional assembly. A tax on inaccessible peanuts tomorrow would raise the Commons rooftop by the cheer that followed. Imperfections in the free market are the cause of another difficulty the Chancellor should

address. There is no mechanism

to stop BBC local radio stations

mentioning local government.

interested in local government. Arrangements exist for payment to be made whenever copyright is infringed, so it should be simple to trigger a similar payment - this time to the Exchequer - whenever any news regarding local government, or the opinion of any local councillor on any matter at all, is

brourleust. "Turning now," (as the Chan-cellor might say) "to national radio, I propose a similar levy, hopefully prohibitive, on the broadcasting by BBC Radio 2 of Sing Something Simple."

(Shouts of "hooray!")
"How Members will recall the sinking heart with which, from early childhood, the strains of Sing Something Simple have been greeted, as radio listeners face another dreary Sunday afternoon . . .

My final proposal is frankly more of a fine than a tax: but one that should yield vast new revennes. For the duration of the general election campaign, any parliamentary candidate who begins any sentence with the phrase "The fact of the matter is..." should be obliged to make a pro-rata contribution to a hand calculated to match the sums MPs are planning to nick from us in their dreadful new national(ised) lottery.

Isn't it funny how the word

"national" has such different vibrations from the word "nationalised", yet I'm blowed it I'm clear as to the distinction. Perhaps Mr Lamont could explain temorrow?

#### **Ecumenical** heaven

shaped the DNB.

national biography was the inspi-

ration of George Smith, proprietor of Smith, Elder, publishers, a businessman of vision and deep pockets. His first intention had

peen to create a dictionary of

universal biography, from which

"wild attempt" he was dissuaded

by Leslie Stephen, father of Virgin-

ia Woolf and the literary critic, historian and scholar whose per-

sonality more than any other

The notion of history as biogra-

phy was not new, but the

ANGLO-CATHOLIC relations, ever more cordial, will pass a new milestone this Friday when Cardnal Basil Hume preaches a sermon in the presence of the Queen Historians, including the Rev Edward Norman, dean of chapel at Christ Church Canterbury, believe this will be the first time a monarch has been publicly preached to by an English cardinal since the 17th century.

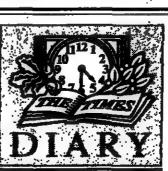
Cardinal Hume will be at a

gathering with the Archbishop of Canterbury and the heads of other churches to mark the opening of Milton Keynes's ecumenical church, the City Church of Christ the Cornerstone. "It is an historic occasion," says the church's cannon, David Goldie. The Oxford historian Dr Geoffrey Rowell says:



"As far as I know this will be the first time she has heard a full sermon from a Catholic. The Queen tends to send representatives to funerals rather than attend herself."

Lord St John of Fawsley, master of Emmanuel College Cambridge and a leading British Catholic. them and explain how you came sees the Hume sermon as a sign of by them."



a trend towards accommodation. "Anglo-Catholic relations really have been transformed and now that we have sorted out social links we have to move on to confront the big issues, such as authority in the church and women's ordination." Harmony, however, will probably stop outside the doors of the

church, where indignant journalists from the religious newspapers, excluded from the service, will be waiting. Peter Stanford, editor of The Catholic Herald says: They've shot themselves in the foot by ensuring none of us is there at this very important event. It's not as if we're from Sunday Sport and are going to waltz down the

 Shady Georgians have every reason to fear the return of Eduard Shevardnadze to his homeland: he was rathless in purging mafia bosses and exposing corruption as the republic's party chief in the 1970s. At one central committee meeting, just as a vote was being taken, Shevardnadze turned to his col-

leagues and said: "Please raise your hands a little higher." When the comrades duly obliged Shevardnadze observed: "Will all those whose Western gold watches have been exposed, kindly remove

#### Beams and moats

**BUCKENHAM CASTLE in Nor**folk, Britain's oldest Norman keep, has for 800 years been able to repel the attentions of unwelcome visitors, thanks to a moat 30ft wide, 6ft deep and extremely muddy. Suddenly, the most has disapppeared.

"Somebody's nicked our moat," says John Holland, who looks after the castle for the owners, Mr and Mrs Peter Stimpson. The Stimpsons are blaming the National Rivers Authority, which opened a borehole near the castle two years ago to supply water from Norfolk to areas suffering from drought. "It's a bit like a bath," says Hoiland, "if you pull the plug all the water flows away."

By the terms of the Water Resources Act, sites of archaeological interest are protected from interference. The river authority maintains that the drought, not the borehole, has drained the moat, but have agreed to stop pumping to "monitor the situation". Anyone hoping to take advan-

tage of lowered defences to storm the castle will face an alternative obstacle. The moat has been transformed into a dense patch of stinging nettles.

#### Level Peggying

PEGGY NOONAN, the speech-writer recently hired by George Bush, may find it hard to raise sufficient steam to give Bush's Republican rival Pat Buchanan the required rhetorical roasting. Noonan, who wrote many of President Reagan's most memorable one-liners, turns out to be a staunch admirer of Buchanan.

In her political memoirs she recalls Buchanan with "affection and real regard. He holds a special place in the conservative community in Washington. He is neither

bombastic nor especially combative. He tends to speak softly. The public might guess that a hardguy conservative like Pat would be no friend to women, but he was the most energetic promoter of women". She respects Buchanan for "his integrity and advice" and describes him as "one of the grand old men of the [conservative]

Either Bush has not read her book, or she is hedging her bets.

• The choice of Henry Purcell's Rondeau as the theme tune for the Conservative election campaign may be more auspicious for a fourth term than even Tory Cen-tral Office hopes. According to Robert King, an expert on the composer's works, the melody includes an episode in the relative major, passes into the dominant, and is repeated four times.

#### Two for the road

SCIENTISTS, it might be thought, would not queue to seek a share of the credit for inventing Sir Clive Sinclair's ill-fated C5. But with Sinclair back in the news on an electric bicycle, one of his fellow inventors, Tony Wood Rogers, has been emboldened to claim his bit of glory.
"In 1980 Clive asked me to work

on the concept of an electric car," he says. After many years' collaboration the C5 was the result. "I've been living it down ever since."

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Nothing daunted, Wood Rogers helped Sinclair devise the concept of the new Zike. "I told Clive it was not fair that he is getting all the glory for the inventions, although to be fair he did go ahead and put the ideas into production." Wood Rogers is now planning to make his own headlines. "I am designing an electric boat. It will be the Sinclair of the waves."

### **OUT OF PROPORTION**

Does Labour really believe in proportional senously distorting and extremely unfair. It representation, or is the party ready to promise anything for a few Liberal Democrat votes? Labour's weekend proposal for a Speaker's conference on electoral reform would appear to be the latter. A Speaker's conference does not bind a government. It means nothing, and Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal leader, was quite right to insist that he would not be "fobbed off" with it.

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The case against proportional representation in Britain is as strong today as ever. The old arguments still hold. It inclines governments to coalition, to weakness and vacillation. While first-past-the-post gives "unfair" power to majority parties. PR gives it to minority parties and as such is even more unfair. PR fractures the democratic bond between elected representative and constituency, a bond in which much good still lies in protecting the citizen against the state. These arguments are reinforced by new arguments specific to British politics in the 1990s.

First, the problem to which proportional representation was meant to be the "solution" has diminished. Politics in the 80s was polarised between two parties deeply divided in ideology and policy. Now it is polarised only between two men claiming to be better able to manage a social market economy. On defence, on economic policy, on the role of the market and on the welfare state, there are differences of emphasis and technique. But there is no divide so deep that . a complete change of regime is too costly to the community or the economy.

Second, though the Liberal centre in British politics can claim credit for shifting both big parties onto the middle ground, it achieved this often since the war and on the basis of a single constituency franchise. To reward the Liberal Democrats for acting as a moderating force by putting them after each election in the position of choosing who shall form a government is absurd.

Third, while the party seen as most benefiting from PR has been the Liberal Democrats, similar leverage is likely to be granted to other minority parties, notably in Ulster, Wales and Scotland. Such leverage, as was seen in the Callaghan government, is seriously distorting and extremely unfair. It won Ulster more sears, projected Scotland's over-representation and skewed public spending towards the Celtic fringe. Depending on the form of PR adopted, Britain could find uself saddled with a coalition of extremes, of the sort that blights politics in countries such as is all related. Fourth, PR on most is systems would give more power to national parties. They would increasingly choose cardidistics. They would increasingly choose cardidistics. They would

increasingly choose candidates. Their power to exclude the awkward and the eccentric would be increased: no more Tony Marlows, Dennis Skinners, Wintertons and Livingstones and Cyril Smiths, The hegemony of the whips would be strengthened, rebellion crushed, the individual sacrificed on the alter of the collective. There is a safety valve against party dictatorship in the link between an MP and a single-member constituency. This relationship, rooted in local candidate selection should be strengthened not weakened.

Fifth, any constitutional reform should be directed at piuralising the British constitution, not further centralising it. Coalition governments are less susceptible than polarising ones to exits and entrances, to changes in personnel and to fresh air. A general election offers a choice of a completely new cast. Presidential constitutions offer this, when they bring in different parties from those dominant in a legislature. In Britain Downing Street (Nos 10, 11 and 12) embraces every aspect of the public sector, from public corporation chairmen to arts sponsorship to the awarding of honours. Britain does not need to concentrate more power on fewer people.

Even in a hung parliament, the country is surely safe from this nonsense. A party once in power has no interest in sharing that power with minority parties and policies. Most MPs do not represent marginal seats. Most will remain MPs until they themselves choose to resign. They are disinclined to any electoral reform that might undermine their security or put them further in thrall to party. If Labour has an overall majority after the election, its MPs will ditch PR as soon as they decently can.

REBUILDING THE ENGINEER

The Times continues its series of editorials on Thatcherism's "forgotten supply side", the professions. This week, engineering, next week, the architects

A chip-on-the-shoulder has long been standard equipment for the British engineer. He (rarely she) knows he is both noble and essential but does not think he is often arm as such. Members of the largest profession in Britain are now being urged by their leaders to submit their profession to a complete redesign. This would alter every engineering career and rationalise the 46 bodies now. organising the profession in Britain. All engineers would come under one institution.

No other profession in this series faces reform of comparable scope. None has greater need. The obstacles in the way would tax the ingenuity of a Brunel. At the apex of the profession are 200,000 chartered engineers, with a three-year degree and four years of practical training under their belts. Recognition is granted by the Engineering Council, an underpowered body set up by royal charter in 1981 after the Finniston Report. This council also registers 60,000 incorporated engineers and 17,000 engineering technicians, the chartered engineers' junior partners.

Engineers are also divided horizontally by specialisation, each with its own institution or equivalent. The senior of these 46 bodies is the Institution of Civil Engineers, founded in 1818 (ten years before the Law Society). Such bodies lie at the heart of British engineering, as the names of such founders as Telford of the civils and Stephenson of the. mechanicals bear witness.

What is now urged is that engineering should integrate both vertically and horizontally, with the present boundaries based on seniority and/or specialisation replaced by open frontiers. There would still be regulation of qualifications but - of interest to the public - there would be swifter retaliation against professional failure. Engineers whose work contributes to a disaster would be called to account other than by negligence suits.

In January the "council of presidents" of the 46, convened by the Engineering Council's new chairman, Sir John Fairclough, initiated the search for a new structure. Sir John called on the various professional groups to overcome "partisan considerations" and agree on one new body which could take the lead. Sir James Hamilton was named to lead a steering group to prepare proposals within a year.

Modern technology knows nothing of the difference between a mechanical and an electrical engineer. The idling speed of a modern internal combustion engine will be regulated by a microchip on a printed circuit. Modern aircraft fly by wire. Physics. electronics and computer science dominate every aspect of the career. This convergence dictates a more multi-disciplinary approach to education: such as devoting the first two years of a three-year course to a grounding in general principles before specialising in the

thint year. Vertical integration is also essential. Many engineers now believe that there should be a natural career ladder from the technician to incorporated to chartered grades, ending the present unwritten class system and beginning the admission of junior grades to full professional status. It is now widely accepted that "continuing professional development" (CPD) is essential. Thus a degree is one stage in a training programme which should last a

Paradoxically, this convergence in education and practice has come just as the proliferation of professional institutions sug-

gests a fragmention. There are plant engineers, structural engineers and building service engineers; there are highway engineers and road transport engineers. Each group has its governing body. Many of these institutes: have royal charters, enabling senior engineers to award each other copious professional qualifications and honours. One engineer may call himself. BSc CEng FIMARE FRINA FICS CDipAF. Another may be FEng FIMechE FIGusE FinstPet FIQA FRSA CBIM. As if to emphasise the viscosity of this alphabet soup, the latest fashionable qualification awarded by the Engineering Council's European equivalent, "European engineer", actually goes before the name: Euring Joe Spanner.

Such ridiculous and grandiose tides have become a psychological compensation for the British engineer's lack of respect among his contemporaries, as compared with engineers abroad. The household names of British engineering — Brunel and Stephen-son, Whittle and Watson-Watt, Faraday and Baird - come from the past. The public can name leading contemporary architects, lawyers, even surgeons. How many could name Sir James Hamilton as the chief engineer of the Concorde? How many could identify the designer of the Severn Bridge or the M1 or the High Speed Train?

This public neglect is part of what Sir John Fairclough recently called a "crisis of confidence" among British engineers. This must partly reflect the mess that engineers have made of their own affairs. But what bothers them is a perceived class bias against "work with grubby hands", engineering as unfit employment for a gentleman. John Major won himself engineering votes when he said he wanted to "change that culture", so that engineers enjoyed in Britain the same status as they had in Germany. Only thus will they attract brighter students and higher

salaries. The self-doubt is understandable. A shudder went through British engineering when the Lords committee on science and technology reported in 1991 that productive industry was no longer at the heart of the British economy. Some engineers may work in the service sector, but for the great majority of them that is not where their vocation lies. They are makers and doers, not traders and servicers. The select committee seemed to imply that the country no longer needed them (though the committee

Yet the decline of British manufacturing is partly attributable to the inadequacy of British engineers, their complacency with second best of today as they bask in the excellence of yesterday. The public do not owe engineers a living, and roundly curse them when they appear to inflate the costs of public projects such as motorways, new railways and nuclear power stations. Engineering cannot rely on government for salvation. It must reform itself in response to market forces, competing and adapting to changing consumer needs in Britain and on the Continent. Engineers must make themselves necessary" by making themselves

The omens are good. The profession has reacted robustly to what it sees as a crisis. The leaders are proposing the greatest dismantling of internal professional barriers vet seen, in marked contrast to other professions under similar threat in the market place. If they achieve this, they will deserve all the status they crave.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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resist seeing income generation as

4. An advisory body to the agency must be established, with a duty to

These conditions are a prerequisite

for success; but success will only

come through the engagement of professional skills with vision, flair

and enthusiasm in planning and

design. The leader of the design team

implementing the study must have a

key role in the agency. It matters not

from which profession he or she is drawn. Quality and excellence are unlikely to be achieved under com-

mittee direction; strong creative de-

Lastly, we make a plea that the

remit of the review groups should be similarly extended to all the royal

parks, particularly the more distant

Greenwich, Richmond and Bushy

MICHAEL WELBANK, President,

Sir, You say that the doctor of the

future will be trained in alternative as

weil as conventional methods. This poses a dichotomy, which requires us to define conventional methods.

I suggest that these consist of an

assessment of treatments to deter-

mine which are effective, and jus-

tified in terms of the hazards and

intended benefits. If this is accepted

as a reasonable statement of medical

convention, where does it leave

(Vice-chairman, North-East Thames

Regional Consultants Committee),

From the Dean of the Royal College

Sir, I hope that your thoughtful leader will improve the quality of public debate about the medical pro-

fession and the reformed NHS. Just

to correct one error of fact, doctors

have been able to work part time in

hospital specialties while training

I did - and look where I am now!

prudently in the use of its assets, to

assist housing associations who are seeking to buy land.

the churches are supporting local housing initiatives in a voluntary

capacity. We commend their work.

Many thousands of people from all

After the general election, we hope

that the government will give a

special emphasis to overcoming what we believe to be the most acute

social need facing less affluent people in rural as well as urban areas — the

need for a decent home.

RONALD BOWLBY.

TJAMES BATH and WELLS.

The Church Urban Fund),

TDAVID LONDIN:,

RICHARD O'BRIEN

4 Uppington Avenue,

Assisted places

From Mr Nigel Austin

(letters, March 2).

objections to it.

Sir, Your leader on the assisted

places scheme (February 28) has now mer with predictably indignant re-marks from apologists for the scheme in the independent sector

Significantly, none of them makes

reference to the indisputable point of

principle which is at the heart of

support, in a fair and equitable

manner, all pupils educated at

taxpayers' expense, by properly fund-

ing a state system — and should be seen to be doing so.

The very existence of the scheme,

whatever may be the grounds on

which the pupils are chosen, repre-

sents a clear statement from the

government that it does not believe

in the public system which it so

inadequately finances.

Yours faithfully,

March 3.

NIGEL AUSTIN,

62 Mellstock Avenue.

Dorchester, Dorset.

This is that the government should

Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

Yours faithfully

(Vice-Chairman.

March 4.

and having children since 1969.

Yours faithfully, FIONA CALDICOTT, Dean,

Royal College of Psychiatrists,

17 Beigrave Square, SW1.

alternative practices?

Friem Hospital,

of Psychiatrists

Yours sincerely, MALCOLM WELLER

Friem Barnet Road, N11.

sign leadership is essential.

HUGH CLAMP, President.

Royal Town Planning Institute, 26 Portland Place, W1.

From Dr Malcolm Weller

Landscape Institute,

Yours etc.

March 6.

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publish an annual report.

#### Help for a shop called Anastasia

From Mrs Ekaterina Likhoda

Sir, For a long time I have been wondering how to contact you. With the help of my friends, I am trying to start my own business in Russia. I am 35, and have three marvellous daughters, so I have to do something to secure their future. Under present conditions of life in our country, it has become possible to undertake entrepreneurial activity. I have decided to start up in trade and open my own shop to sell goods in high demand.

I would very much like to help my town and myself. Although I was trained as a sales worker, "business" is something absolutely new to me. and indeed not only to me. In our country there are many people who have no idea where to begin, and the complete lack of anything is making it difficult for them to set up their

I am addressing this urgent request to your readers: if you have any time for me, please tell me the secrets of how you got started (provided, of course, these are not secret). I would much like to receive information on how business is organised and the principles on which trade must be built — which in your country is called "marketing".

Despite having read a lot of

incrature on this subject I cannot find anything suitable for me. I am interested not so much in the profit as in the wish to open a shop, my own shop, which could satisfy top-class requirements. It will be called "Anastasia", the name of my third daughter. I will sell everything that I

can get my hands on.
Unfortunately I can offer nothing at the moment in return except my friendship. I and my daughters invite you as guests. I await replies

Yours faithfully, EKATERINA LIKHODA, 622016 CIS Russia. Sverdlovsk Region, Nizhni Tagil, Ul. Krasnoarmeiskaya 147, Kv. 60.

☐ This letter has been translated from the Russian.

#### Aspects of food From M Jean Sefert and

Mr Egon Ronay Sir. The Prince of Wales's address to

the Association France-Grande Bretagne in Paris (report, March 3), condemning bureaucratic interference with the methods of making time-honoured farm cheeses, was most timely. The banner of "health" is being increasingly abused in respect of food products far beyond

Often unwarranted bureaucratic rules, born at desks not dining tables, are seized upon by husybodies and food "terrorists" who strike fear inthe public and ignore all too frequent contradictions in scientific and medical conclusions. The public is misled into eating food not for pleasure but for supposed health reasons, instead of enjoying the Godgiven fruits of gastronomy with a dear conscience.

Yours faithfully, JEAN SEFERT (President, L'Académie des Gastronomes, Paris). EGON RONAY (President), The British Academy of Gastronomes, 37 Walton Street, SW3.

#### From Mrs William Waldegrave

Sir. As the chairman of the Guild of Food Writers I must respond to James Le Fanu's accusation ("Decrived by dubious diers". March 4) that the Guild's connections are al with the left. Mine, Sir, lie in a

Yours faithfully, CAROLINE WALDEGRAVE, The Guild of Food Writers, Glen House. 125 Old Brompton Road, SW7.

#### Missing days

From the Reverend A. N. B. Towse Sir, The day after reading "Confessions of a bissextile" by Caroline Moore (article, February 29) I was in St. Mildred's Church, Tenterden, and noticed an example of the loss of

11 days from the calendar. The memorial inscription to Matthew Wallace, Vicar from 1763 to 1771, states that he was born on the 28th of October 1728 and died on the 14th of November 1771 "aged forty three years and six days".

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY N. B. TOWSE, 3 Oaks Road, Tenterden, Kent. March 2.

#### Better late

From Mr Michael Jackson

Sir, Janet Daley ("Only a fringe attraction", March 3) brings to-gether a battery of complaints against The Late Show: it is, she says. "trendy", "feminist", "liberal" and, worst of all "avant-garde".

If making imaginative television, which is interested in the new and the challenging is avant-garde, then we plead guilty. However, Daley asks a serious question: what is the role of a television arts department? The best way to answer is by reference to what we actually do, rather than to

prejudice.
"The Late Show", says Daley,
"absorbs most of BBC Television arts budget": it actually accounts for less than one fifth. We spend most of our

#### Strategy for London's royal parks inspired management; and it should

From the Presidents of the Landscape Institute and the Royal Town Planning Institute

Sir. The royal parks review group has presented an outstanding report for the future strategy for Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens (details, February 21). As presidents of the institutes representing two of the pro-fessions intimately involved with the implementation of such a strategy. we appland it and especially the commitment it makes to quality and excellence. But we also have concerns.

Long-term plans for the royal parks have been prepared before but have been left to gather dust in the depths of Marsham Street. The demolition of Marsham Street may well bury these for good. Such a fate could await the present report unless the following conditions pertain: 1. The report is endorsed openly and positively by the present and any incoming government.

The proposed royal parks agency must have the status to operate at arm's length from the government. 3. Government needs to make a long-term commitment to any agreed programme of works and improvements, to provide the proper level of resources, and to ensure

#### Doctor's dilemma

From Professor Denis Pereira Gray Sir, May I take issue with your interesting editorial (March 2) on two points. First, medical education, at least in vocational training for general practice, has been innovative and includes in many schemes interactive small group work, random case and problem case analysis. Far from there being "little instruction in

... community medicine or in hu-man relations", the whole focus of the learning is on understanding human relations in the community, i.e., homes and families.

Secondly, it is a fallacy, originally perpetrated by Lord Moran in 1958, that many young doctors entering general practice have stepped or fallen off "the consultancy ladder". Most young doctors entering general practice do so, after proper training in hospital and in training general practices, because they see the possibility of practising medicine in the most personal way possible, with the greatest variety, and with huge research potential.

Yours faithfully, DENIS PEREIRA GRAY, Director,

Postgraduate Medical School. University of Exeter, Barrack Road, Exeter, Devon.

### Church and homeless From the Right Reverend Ronald Bowlby and others

Sir. Last month the Church of England's Synod passed a resolution calling for greater effort by the Church and by the government to ease the problems of homelessness. A group of senior individuals from the Church met on the same day and, in supporting the resolution, agreed that as the Duke of Edinburgh's housing enquiry showed. Britain's housing problems have been caused by an over-emphasis on home owner-ship, fuelled by tax incentives and a lack of investment in rented housing: that government support needs to be targeted on less affluent homeowners - some of whom now face mortgage repossessions — and on boosting the supply of remed homes; and that the Church has opportunities at national and diocesan level, while acting

#### Fukuvama debate

From Mr Stephen Iwan Griffiths Sir, I was fortunate enough to attend The Times/Dillons Francis Fukuyama debate at the Institute of Education in London on Thursday (report, March 6). It proved to be a very stimulating occasion, well worth the long trip from Leeds.

It was a bold experiment for a

newspaper to attempt to promote serious debate on "big issues" in a country where the political debate has been, too often of late, parochial, anti-intellectual and just plain

When was the last time that a debate that included extensive references to the works of Nietzsche and Hegel held in Britain, and attended by a thousand people? The organisers should be congratulated for putting on such an event. I hope there will be many more.

Yours sincerely S. GRIFFITHS The University of Leeds, Institute for International Studies. Leeds LS2 9JT. March 6.

The Late Show is designed to go

out late at night. It is targeted fjust as

The Times is targeted) and its

audience is roughly the same size as

the circulation of The Times. It seeks

to be intelligent and, yes, sometimes

it deals with complexities: this week.

for example, it has devoted a whole

programme to Francis Fukuyama.

music curriculum and Jung Chang

We have had Simon Ranle on the

about Rembrandt.

on persecution in communist China money on the likes of the Proms and Sally Beauman, Melvyn Bragg and Omnibus, which this season alone, D. M. Thomas have discussed the has covered Malcolm Arnold, Pablo Casals, the RSC and Benny Hill and difficulties of writing about sex. We has been watched by audiences of have more female presenters than over seven million. Bookmark has reany other television magazine programme. If this is in danger of being discovered Barbara Pym and Angus Wilson and, later this month, BBC2 feminist" — sorry! will be dominated for a week by a series of accessible programmes

Reflecting our culture honestly requires strong views and interesting people: The Late Show meets this test four times a week. I hope that Janet Daley will be back soon for her seventh appearance.

Yours etc., **MICHAEL JACKSON** (Head of Music and Arts). -BBC Television. Kensington House, Shepherd's Bush, W12.

#### Budget chance to save smokers

From Mrs E. D. Skinner

Sir, The government's white paper on The Health of the Nation, now a casualty of the election campaign, was widely expected to announce a new target for reducing the national epidemic of premature deaths and illnesses caused by tobacco. Its currently expected target of 20 per cent would require reductions of 13 and 10 per cent among men and

women respectively.

Despite the shelving of the health document, the approach of both No Smoking Day (March 11) and the Budget makes it highly topical to consider the implications of such a target and ways in which the reduc-tions could be achieved.

Last month, William Waldegrave

ruled out a tobacco advertising ban for "five to six years" (report, February 20), and although the government is committing more funds to education about smoking in pregnancy, no significant increase has been announced for other health education on smoking. This leaves fiscal policy as the main line of action. Mr Waldegrave endorsed this at the launch when he said that tobacco price was the most powerful

means of reducing smoking.

A public attitudes survey in 1988 showed that the majority of people, including smokers, favour tobacco price increases. Elasticity of demand means that an increase of 1 per cent reduces consumption by about 0.5 per cent, and there is evidence that a price rise may be even more effective

in reducing teenage smoking. In economic terms, an average smoker who gives up will save about £750 a year, which corresponds to a pay rise of £1,100 a year: if he or she is on an average wage, with a single person's tax allowance, the money gained from quitting is equivalent to a cut in income tax of about 10 pence in the pound. Even when the reduced consumption is taken into account, the government will still gain financially from regular tax increases and will have some years in which to adjust for the eventual loss of revenue.

If tobacco consumption falls by the expected one third, in due course about 35,000 lives will be saved each year in the United Kingdom. A 10 per cent tax increase on the cost of cigarettes (about 20p on each packet): would be convincing evidence of the government's determination to. match words with action and would. be greatly welcomed by the 14voluntary and public sector organisations of this committee.

Yours sincerely, ELIZABETH SKINNER nanman. No Smoking Organising Committee), Cancer Research Campaign, 2 Cariton House Terrace. SW1. March 5.

### Holbein portrait

From Mr I. A. Shapiro Sir. The Houghton Hall Holbein now for sale is a portrait. Portraits normally are not "painted for the world" (leading article, February 29) but either for the sitter or the portrait's commissioner.

portrait's commissioner.
The woman portrayed is evidently English, facially and in costume. Her face and head-dress are closely, similar to those in Holbein's drawing of Cicely, daughter of Sir Thomas More and wife of Giles Heron (Windsor Castle 12269). If not Cicely Heron, this sitter is certainly her contemporary, and probably a member of the More circle.

The portrait is part of Britain's heritage and should be retained here. "They order this matter better in France" whose government moves: promptly to secure for the nation.
anything of its patrimoins, even when its artistic level is low.

The portrait in question here is at: the pinnacle of artistic achievement. Our government recently has been able to find hundreds of millions for various projects; need it balk at £15. million for this Holbein portrait?

Yours etc. I. A. SHAPIRO, The Shakespeare Institute The University of Birmingham, Birmingham B15 2RX. March 2.

#### March hare madness From Mr Bernard W. Riley and Mr David Brokensha

Sir, Early yesterday morning, Shrove Tuesday, walking along a public footpath close to Sherborne Castle; we witnessed an extraordinary sight.

in a field grazed by ewes and new spring lambs, a procession of six hares ran headlong in single file, and in full uninterrupted view, into the middle of the large expanse. Abruptly they stopped simultaneously, and ran in a closed clockwise circle; stopped again in unison to run anticlockwise for a longer period; then dashed off, again in single file, to the cover of a fenced copse.

Was this, we wondered, Mardi Gras madness, pre-Lenten polka or rutting in the round? Yours faithfully, BERNARD W. RILEY

DAVID BROKENSHA, Tanrhocal House, 96 Newland, Sherborne, Dorset. March 4.

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### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March 7: The Prince Edward, Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Foundation, this morning returned to Heathtow Airport.

London, from Singapore. His Royal Highness this after-noon attended the England ver-Match at Twickenham.

Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance. **BUCKINGHAM PALACE** 

March 7: The Princess Royal this morning visited Charing Cross Housing Association, 7 Lynedoch Street, Glasgow, and was received Lieutenant of Glasgow). Her Royal Highness, Patron.

Scottish Rugby Union, this after-noon attended the Scotland versus France International Match at Murrayfield and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Edinburgh (Mrs Eleanor McLaughlin, the Rt Hon the Lord Provost).
Mrs David Bowes Lyon was in

#### Today's royal engagements

The Queen, accompanied by the Princess Royal, will attend the Commonwealth Day observance at Westminster Abbey at 3.15; and the Commonwealth Day preenting at Langagary House of reception at Lancaster House at 6.30.

The Princess of Wales, Patron of Relate, will present the "Family of the Year Award" at the Inn on the Park Hotel at 12.40.

The Princess Royal will open the London Canal Museum, 12-13 New Wharf Road, at 10.30; and, as Patron of the Butler Trust, will present the 1992 awards of the Prison Service Annual Award Scheme at Buckingham Palace at

#### Service dinners

Mahar Regiment
Former Officers of the Mahar
Regiment and their ladles held
their annual reunion dinner on Saturday at the Town House Hotel, York, Major K.G. Sum-

Essex Army Cadet Force Lieutenant-Colonel R.M.N Officers of the Essex Array Cades Force dined at the County Train ing Centre, Colchester, on Sat-

A about means not ends. The

"great education debate", so promi-

nent in our pre-election hustings, is

not a debate about education at all:

it is about teaching methods and class sizes and school books. No one

actually asks what education is for.

Training the mind? developing hu-

man potential? learning a skill? in-

ducting young people into culture? indoctrination? In a society with secular assumptions the real lesson

young people take from school is

Another topic which makes screaming headlines is the National Health Service. Once again the debate is about funding the waiting lists, not about health. Nobody asks

what health is, or how to get it. The

body is regarded as a mere machine

with parts that go wrong and need

oiling or repairing or replacing with

spares. In our secular society cure is

mistaken for health, a far more

profound and holistic concept.

Again, we are always taking our

economic temperature. Cheers went

up last month when inflation

mere pragmatism.

KENSINGTON PALACE March 7: The Duke of Gloucester, Honorary Colonel, The Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia) today visited West Glamorgan and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant (Lieutenant Colonel Sir Michael

In the afternoon His Royal Highness accepted the Freedom of the City of Swansea on behalf of the Regiment, and later opened the refurbished John Chard, VC, House Territorial Army Centre. Richardson Street, Swansea. Major Nicholas Barne was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE March 8: The Duchess of Gloucester this afternoon attended a service to mark the Tercentenary of the Danish Church in London at the Church of St Clement Dane, Strand London WC2 and subsequently attended a Reception at Middle Temple Hall, London EC4.

Mrs. Howard Page was in

#### Birthdays today

Mr Bill Beaumont, rugby player, 40: Dr M.G. Brock, warden, St 40: Dr M.G. Brock, warden, St George's House, Windsor Castle, 72: M André Courreges, fashion designer, 69: Sir Roualeyn Cumming-Bruce, former Lord Justice of Appeal, and his twin brother Lord Thurlow. 80: Mr Bobby Fischer, chess player, 49: Mr John Golding, trades uniona-ist, 61: Major-General J.P. Groom, former director-general, Guide Dogs for the Blind Associ-ation, 63: Professor Str Donald Harrison, larvngologist, and Harrison, laryngologist and oxologist, 67: Dr T.L. Johnston, former principal and vice-chan-cellor, Heriot-Watt University, 65; General Sir Frank King, 73; Sir Notman Lindop, former prin-cipal, British School of Osteopa-thy, 71; Mr R.G. Martin, company chairman, 71; Sir Ron-ald Melville, civil servant, and his twin brother Mr A.D. Melville, solicitor and classics scholar, 80; Sir Peter Quennell, writer, 87; Professor K.E. Robinson, former vice chancellor, Hong Kong University, 78; Professor Sir David Weatherall, haematologist.

#### Luncheon

iven by Lord Shelburne at Bowood House on Saturday, March 7, in memory of Miss P. Scott. of Deloraine, Kenya.



Colin Moynihan, the energy minister, married Gaynor-Louise Metcalf at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, on Saturday. The couple, both music lovers, met at the Albert Hall last year during a performance of Rachmaninov's Vespers, which was included in the wedding service

#### Appointments

Mrs Jaswanti Chatwani to be a full-time legal member of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal.

Brigadier A.M. Keeling to be promoted Major General on September 3, 1992, and to be Chief of Staff to the Commandant General Royal Marines. Mr David Verey and Mrs Jaset de Botton to be Trustees of the Tate Gallery.

#### Memorial service

Professor Kathleen Coburn Professor Kathleen Coburn
A memorial service for Professor
Kathleen Coburn was held on
Saturday in the Chapel of St
Hugh's College, Oxford. The Rev
Graham Midgley officiated. Miss
Rachel Trickett read from the
works of Coleridge and Professor
John Beer of Peterhouse, Cambridge, gave an address. The
Principal and Fellows of St
Hugh's College amended. Principal and Fellows of St Hugh's College attended.

### Church news

Resignations and retirements The Rev Richard Brown, Vicar, Barlby (York): to retire from 31

The Rev Charles Cleverly, Vicar, Cranham Park, St Luke (Cheimsford): to resign on 30 July on his appointment to the Bible Church-men's Missionary Society in

Southtown St Mary w Cobholm St Luke's (Norwich): to resign The Rev Patricla Needham, Parish Deacon, St Chad's, Norton Woodscars and Chaplain to Beauchief Abbey (Sheffield): to retire as from 30 September but

The Rev Mark Morgan, Vicar,

reare as from 30 September our to condinue as Chaplain (NSM) to Beauchief Abbey.

The Rev Christopher Studd, Rector, Bowers Gifford & North Benfleet (Chelmsford): to retire from 31 August, The Rev Michael Way, Vicar, St

John, Earlsfield (Southwark): to resign from 31 May. Church of Scotland

The Rev Michael J Erskine to Craignish with Kilninger and Kilmelford. The Rev Mary B Morrison to Carmichael with Covington and Thankerton with Pettinaln. Ordination and Induction

The Rev Joseph A Kavanagh to Translations Mrs Wendy F Drake from St Martin's, Edinburgh to Cockpen and Carrington with Lasswade with Rosewell.

The Rev James Scott from Northfield, Aberdeen to Drumoak with Durris. Retirement

The Rev J E Stewart Low from Rotterdam.

### Wrekin College

The following awards have been made for next academic year.

Assdemic: Scholarship: Emma-Claire Eatwell, Terra Nova; Exhibition: Rachal Bradbury, Packwood Haugh. ension's Awards for All-Bound most James Horwood, Kingaland at Susannah Lewis, The Old Hall Trigg, \$ Anselm's.

Massic Scheingaige Helen Boyle, The Downs, Colwait: Exhibition: Raidee Towie, & Dounnick, Strewood. Arts: Exhibitions: Haldee Towie, & Dounnick, Brewood: William White, Abraham Darby.

#### Christening

It is absurd to sure

things and all life, mysteries and

puzzles can all be unravelled by

reason alone, unaided by revelation

and grace. At last, in "The Gospel and our Culture" movement, centred on the Selly Oak Colleges in Birmingham, a challenge is being launched against these secularist

assumptions of society. It reflects a

dominant mood. A National Con-

sultation on the subject this summer is already nearly booked out, and a

book I have recently edited on the

theme is reprinting within a month.

This week marks the start of
Lent. This has been customarily

observed as a time when individuals

engage in personal self analysis and open themselves to the Gospel. But a

mission to our culture is equally

important, if people are to be able to

hear the Gospel expressed within it.

Dr Hugh Montefiore, formerly

Bishop of Birmingham, is the editor of the recently published The Gospel and Contemporary Culture (Mowbray, £11.95)

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Iain Wolrige Gordon was christened Flora Louisa by the Rev J.A.K. Millar at Holy Trinity, Brompton, on Sunday, March 8. The godparents are The Earl of Lindsay, Major Dominic Curran, Mrs David James Duff and Mrs James Kelly.

# Forthcoming marriages

Dr O.O. Ajihade and Miss S.T. Fahm The engagement is announced between Owolabi, younger son of Mr C.B. Ajibade and Mrs S.I. Ladapo, of Lagos, Nigeria, and Susannah Tina, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Sikiru Tunji Fahm of Blackwood, South Wales and

Mr J.1. Bulfou and Miss F.E. Meyer

Willesden, North London.

The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Balfour, of Loders, Dorset, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Meyer, of Mount Waverley, Victoria.

Mr J.C. Bayne-Jardine end Miss F. De Monteiro Coelho The engagement is announced between John Christian, son of Mr and Mrs C.C. Bayne-Jardine. of Eldersfield, Gloucestershire, and Fernanda De Monteiro Coelho, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Mr T.P.B. Cole and Miss L.L. Lassier The engagement is announced between Benjamin, elder son of Mr and Mrs Tarquin Cole, of Rye, Sussex, and Lori, second daughter of Dr and Mrs Carroll B. Lassiter, of Houston, Texas.

Mr M.C. Escribano and Miss L.J. Gilchrist

The engagement is announced between Marco, son of Mrs Rosa Escribano and Mr Vincente Escribano, of Hampstead, London and Seville, Spain, and Lisa, daughter of Mr and Mrs David D. Gilchrist, of Grey-stones, Crawfordsbura, Co

Mr B.A. Evans and Miss D.J. Herbert The forthcoming marriage is announced between Bernard Evans, of Cuffley, Hertfordshire, and Daphne J. Herbert, of Noting Hill, London, daughter of the late Mr H W and Mrs B. of the late Mr H.W. and Mrs B. Herbert, of Hampshire.

Mr R. Fleid The engagement is announced between Jane, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Bruce Cowe. Oldcastles, Berwickshire, and Richard, son of Mr Duncan Fleid, London, and Mrs Freddie Fleid, Tonbridge, Kent.

Mr J.R. Greenwood and Miss A.J. Gibson Mr and Mrs Howard Gibson, of Chichester, are pleased to announce the engagement of their younger daughter, Alison, to Richard, son of Mr Edward Greenwood, of Peterborough, and Mrs Patricia Greenwood, of Palma, Matorra

Mr.A.R. Howell and Miss J.E. Henderson The engagement is announce between Andrew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D.P. Howell, of Cardiff, and Jane, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L. Henderson, of Antigus and

The engagement is announced ween Tom, son of Mr and Mrs K.J. Kelman, of Holland Park London, and Sheena, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.D. Flaherty, or Woldingham, Surrey.

Mr A.G. McConkey and Miss K.J. Wedgwood The engagement is announce between Andrew, son of Professor and Mrs John McConkey. of Windsor, Ontario, and Katherine, daughter of Dr and

Mrs Alan Wedgwood, of Choisey,

and Miss L.C. Tander

The engagement is announced between Richard, third son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Meager, of Cape Town, South Africa, and Lucy, only daughter of Mr Richard Tanner. of Shrewsbury. Shropshire, and Mrs Jonathan Reeves, of Tewkesbury, Glouces-

Mr W.J.B. Payne and Miss E.A. Willoughby The engagement is announced between William. son of Mr and Mrs R.W.N. Payne, of Warling ham, Surrey, and Elizabeth, daughter of the Rev F.E.J. and Mrs Willoughby, of Sutton-at-

Hone, Kent Mr T.J.D. Pemberton-Pigott and Miss H.N. Walker The engagement is announced between Julian, elder son of Wing Commander and Mrs T.N.J. Pemberton-Pigott, of Church Fenton, Yorkshire, and Harrier, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs George Walker, of Brumath,

Marriages

The Hon Colin Moyniban, MP, and Miss G-L. Metcalf The marriage took place on Saturday at St Margarer's Church, Westminster Abbey, of son of the late Lord Moynihan and of Mrs Neville Hayman, and stepson of Mr Hayman, of Cheam, Surrey, to Miss Gaynor-Louise Metcalf, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul G. Metcalf, of Healing, South Humberside, Canon Donald Gray, the Rev Geoffrey Kirk, the Rev Andrew Wylie and the Rev Henry Burgin

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was strended by Poppy and Daisy Corbett, Simon Stringfellow and Miss Liss Fulchan. Mr John Pritchard was best man and a guard of honour was formed by eading sportsmen holding Olympic rowing blades.

A reception was held at the House of Commons and the honeymoon will be spent in Switzerland and Lewisham. Barog L-C. de Roquette-Bui

ond Miss C. White The marriage took place in France on March 7, 1992, beween Baron Louis-Charles de Roquette-Buisson, son of the late Baron Bertrand de Busson and of Baronne Bermand de Roquette-Buisson, of St Felixde-Lauragais, and Miss Caroline White, daughter of Mr William White, of London, W8, and the late Mrs Hazel White.

#### eest that, if God is the Creator and Sustainer of all

WOODPIGEONS are feeding on the buds of the cherry blos-som: they frequently tumble off the thin twigs. British wood-pigeons are very sedentary birds and rarely go more than a few miles from the woods or parks where they breed where they breed.

Immigrant woodpigeous are massing in the fields before setting off for the continent again; there is a thunderciap of agitaned wings when a large flock rises all together. Long-tailed tits normally feed in the middle branches of area that the middle branches of the middl y teet in the middle branches of large trees, but at present their calls, like soft lip-smacking, come from cypresses and gorse bushes where they are prospecting for where they are prospecting for her sites. Blackbirds are crooming everywhere at dusk, and sometimes sing on into the night in well-lit places.

More early spring flowers are appearing. Field speedwell, which has small sky-blue flowers



with a white lip, is sprawling over neglected grass. Colt's-foot is found in barer spots: It has a ring of narrow yellow petals distinctly separated from each other, and

Dog's mercury grows in car-pets in the woods: its tiny green flowers might easily be mistaken for seeds. Nearer the wood's edge, the first mauve flowers of ground

ivy are coming out.

# God, you know how footish to am, and my guilty deeds are not hidden from you. Lord God of hosts, let none of those who hope in you be discouraged through me Paalm 69: 5.6. (REB)

BINFIELD-EAGLES On March 5th 1992 at West London Hospital, to Anna and John a daughter Jestin.

DE CMEMU - On Wednesday March 4th 1992. Helent deeply loved wife of Nick, affectionate and caring mother of Catherine and Michael and daughter of Jean Agazarian, sister of Tim and Richard Jackson, peacefully in her sleep in the Evelyn Hospital. We will always love her and cherish our memories. Requiem Mass at the Church of Our Lady and The English Martyrs. Cambridge on Wednesday the 11th of March at 10,45 a.m. Floral tributes may be sent to Brian Warner, Funeral Services. Harshel Court, Cambridge in Coichestar. 11 am Friday March 13th 1992. Family flowers only piecase. Harshel Court, Cambridge in Coichestar. 11 am Friday March 13th 1992. Family flowers only piecase. Harshel Court, Cambridge in Coichestar. 11 am Friday March 13th 1992. In The Rembirandt Coichestar. 11 am Friday March 15th 1992. In The Rembirandt Nursing Home. Southsea. Cyril Ernest, aged 88. Dovolet husband of Esse and father of Barbara and Minh. Eurocal Secules at Minh. Eurocal Secules and father of Barbara and Minh. Eurocal Secules at Minh. Eurocal Secules at Minh. Eurocal Secules at Minh. Eurocal Secules and father of Barbara and Minh. Eurocal Secules at Minh. Eurocal Secules and Secules at Minh. Eurocal BLAMEY - On March 5th, to Andrew and Fenella, a son Hugo John, a brother for Charlotte and Thomas. BOWIE - On March 5th. to Saily (Née Carr) and Robin, a daughter Georgina Elizabeth CRIMENAW - On March Oth,

CRIMEHAW - On March oth, in Riniein. Germany. to Rachei (Ne Khanairt) and Ewipg, a son. (Guy Henry) a brother for Katie and Nicholas.

JENNINS - On March 3rd. to Cairiona (Née Illon) and Thn. a son. Harry Crispin Moubray, a brother for Jake.

MCLEMAN - On March 3rd. to be held on Thursday March 12th at 2pm at the Surrey & Sussex Crematorium. Bakombe Rd. Worth. Crawley, Sussex: Flowers to the Crawley Sussex: Flowers to the Crawlin Worcester, to Patricia free Valentimi and Alistair, a son. Jonathan Lucas.

PAY - On March 1st in Grenoble, France, at home.

PAY - On March 1st in Grenoble, France, at home, to Sarah (née Fraser) and Nicholas, a daughter, Katle Elizabeth Floma, a sister to Elize and Laura. HENLEY - On March 6th, Daphne Ruth of South Harting, near Petersfield, Much loved sixer, mother and grandmother. Enquiries to 0672-512873 or 0243-543348.

PLIMMER - On March 2nd 1992, to Sally (née Lanham) and John, & daughter, Suzannah Margaret, a sister 643348.

HOGG - On March 6th, in hospital, Joanna Margaret (daughler of H H Hardy), for 44 lovely years wife of Poter Hogg, darling mother of William and Margaret and granny to James, Peter. Torn. Roste, Anna and Jonalhan. Funeral service at SI Peter and SI Pauls Church, Seal, at 11am on Thursday March 12th, followed by interment at Seal. Family flowers only please: donations in iteu to Oxfam may be sent Hodget W and Co Lid. Funeral Directors, 37 Quakers Hall Lane, Sevenoaks

SELDON - On 3rd March, io Anihony and Joanna (Nee Pappworth), a son Adam, a prother for Jessica and Suspituals

O'KILL:JOHNSON - At St Augustine's Church. Tun-bridge Wells, on March 9th 1942. Raymond to Barbara. Now of Wallingford, Oxon.

Dolitical argument nowadays is dropped by 0.4 per cent. Growth is as the Resurrection) lies outside own meaning into a text, and art is presuppositions of Western culture. what we must have — material growth, of course, not personal growth or spiritual growth; those are optional extras in a society which prefers facts (especially economic facts), and which leaves values to individual choice. It is the same with the media. We may differ over the BBC licence fee, but we no longer ask what TV is for. We live in a society for which there is no longer such a thing as public truth.

These assumptions which we unconsciously make in everyday living and the presuppositions of our cul-ture have crickled down from Enlightenment thinkers, and influence our society at every level. They have marginalised Christianity into a private option for individuals; and the churches in a Decade of Evangelism must come to terms with this aspect of our culture.

For example, historians have to have some presuppositions if they are to write any history, but most reject the Christian understanding of history as well as Christian origins, because the supernatural (such

NERDALL - On March 5th 1992, in The Rembrandt Nursing Home. Southsea. Cyril Ernest, aged 88. Devoted husband of Este and father of Barbera and Hugh. Funeral Service at Waterlooyille Baptist

Walerlooville Baphsi
Church on Friday March
13th at 11 am, followed by
cremalion at Portchester.
Family flowers only.
donations if desired, to
Alzheimer's Disease Society
c/o Andrews Funetal
Directors, 81 Kingsion
Crescent, Portsmouth.

KILGOUR - On March 4th, peacefully at Highliets. Saffron Walden, Namey Elizabeth Mary, aged 86 years, widow of the late Robert Kilgour W.S. Adored mother of Alexander and Robin, much loved Granga of Robert and Alexandra, Funeral service al Cambridge City crematorium on Thursday March 12th at 11.30am

MONK- March 4th, in hospital after short Illness. Wing Commander Geoffrey William Monk aged 90. Beloved father of Robert and grandfather of Vicky and Vanessa. Funeral service at Mortlake Cramalorium at 2.30 on Monday 16th March.

ROGERS - On March 4th, Margaret Joy, of Chartside, Crockham Hill, peacefully in hospila!, Much loved wife of Torn, loving mother and

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their terms of historical reference. Science, properly concerned with the understanding of our material world, has in the popular mind become "scientism". It is illegitimate to introduce purpose into scientific understanding; and what is omitted tends to be regarded as non-

**Hugh Montefiore** 

Mounting a Christian challenge to modern culture

Although logical positivism and scientific materialism are now discarded at the philosophical level, their influence lives on in the popular mind, so that nothing is regarded as true unless it can be scientifically proved, and faith is regarded as second best to knowledge. It is taken as an axiom that human beings can attain to certain and objective knowledge; but this is not possible. Human knowledge is only gained by acquaintance, and is always fallible and subject to revision. It is assumed that reason can unravel all the secrets of life, whereas in fact reason always has to work on assumptions and presuppositions, which may be religious or not. Again, it is assumed that we put our

LE BROCQ - On Thursday
March Sih. Betty Margaret
Le Brocq. (Née Browne)
eldest daughter of the late Sir
Philip and Lady Browne, and
widow of Henry Le Brocq.
O.B.E., of 'Danescourt',
Faldouel. latterty of
'Highfield'. St. Saviour.
peacefully and graciousty at
the General Hospital, Jersey.
C.I. in her eightleth year.
Much Joved and joving
mother of Richard. Philip,
Jeography of Rechard. Philip,
Jeography of Hermany members of her
family, and by her murherous
friends from all walks of life
all over the world. Functal at
the Parish Church of St
Saviour. Jersey. on
Wednesday.

Saviour. Jersey. on Wednesday March 11th. Family flowers only, but donations to The Caesares Association. Windsor House. Val Plaisant, Jersey or to Help the Aged. Jersey.

PINK - On Thursday March
5th 1992, beacefully at his
sisier's home in Dumdee after
a hard fight against cancer.
Iain, formerly of George
Watsons Edinburgh and
Hilton, Park Lane, London,
Much loved son of Dr.
Edward C. and Mah Lia
Pink, Johore Bahru,
Maiaysta, dear brother of
Katherine Farguhar and
Ince in Autonia and Sunri.
Funeral Service at Pentland
Chopel Mortonnall Cremator
tum Edinburgh on Saturday
March 14th at 11.15 am, to
which all friends are warmly
invited. Family flowers only
please, but donations in lieu
if desired may be sent to
Cancer Research Fund,
Charing Cross Hospital.
Cheques payable to Oncology
Pund URCC; c/o Professor
Coombes Secretary. Department of Medical Oncology.
1st Floor. East Wing, Charing Cross Hospital. Futham
Palece Road, London.

DEATHS

PRYKE - On March 3rd 1992, at QE II Hospital, Welwyn Garden City, LL Colonel G.E. Pryke OBE. TD. B.Sc. Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Hertfordshire and

Master of Hertfortishire and for very many years a member of the St Albans School community - Service and interment of ashes at the Abbey and Cathedral Church of St Alban on Monday March 23rd 1992 at 2 pm. QUIE — On Thursday March 5th suddenly but peacefully after a short illness in hospital. Anne (hee Newling) of Dormansland. Lingfield, Surrey, Funeral service at St John's Church, Dormansland on Friday 13th March at 2:30 pm. Family flowers only please, donation it so desired to Lest Chence Animal Rescue, Stick Hill, Edenbridge, Kent.

Edenbridge, Kent.

SHELDRAKE - On March 5th.

In hotpital, Lesile Thomas
aged 87 years of Kingsand,
Dornwell, hisband of Jimes.

Please note funeral Tuesday
March 10th. Service at
Weston Mill crematorium,
Plymouth, 11am. All friends
welcome. Family flowers
only please, donations in lieu
made payable to The R.N.L.I.
May be sent to Walter
Parson. 11 Tothill Ate, 57
Judes. Plymouth 665438

MEMORIAL SERVICES

LEATHERMAN The Memorial Service for Dr G H
Leatherman who died on 11th December 1991 will lake place at 3pm On Thursday March 12th at Sain! James Catholic Church. Spanish place. George St., London W. I

IN MEMORIAM -

PRIVATE

SENTA MARNAU - 9th March 1985: "Yes. It is strange not to inhabit the earth any longer."

simply what we happen to like rather than an insight into the God-given beauty of the world. Most of these assumptions, individualism, rationalism, positivism, aesthetic subjectivism, the world as a machine, stem from the Enlightenment.

These presuppositions need to be shown up as false. Christians and others in academic professions are often frightened to challenge the assumptions on which their disciplines rest, and on which their preferment and good standing with their colleagues depend. Their Christian faith affects their personal lives, but it would be "unprofession-al" to let it enter their public lives. It is presumed that disciplines should be autonomous, in reaction to "heteronomous" claims made by the churches in the past to subject culture to external laws, whereas the true relationship, as Tillich pointed out, should be that of theonomy, in the sense of the relatedness of all cultural forms to the Ultimate.

For too long Christians have been fearful of challenging these basic

IN MEMORIAM -

STONOR, Sherman. 6th Baron Camoys, of Stonor Park and Newport. Rhode Island. born July 5th 1913. died most courageously. tragically. March 9th 1976. A most selfless, gentile, noble man. remembered always as man, remembered always with great love and devoted

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JOHN BATES (b) One of the common soldiers who talk to Henry V, the disguised King, on the eve of Agincourt. Although he wishes he were elsewhere (eg buried up to the neck in "Thames water"), he amounces his intention of fighting bravely for his country. HOLOFERNES

(a) Pedantic schoolsnaster in LLL, friend of Sir Nathaniel, who devises the pageant of the Nine Worthies to entertain the court (and plays at least three of them himself). He is a precision — someone says of him and Sir Nathaniel, "They have been at a great feast of imagnages, and stolen the scraps." NERISSA

(c) Portin's maid and confidents in Merchant of Venice, who eagerly helps her in the test of the three caskets, and glocfully disguises herself as her male secretary when she goes to court. Lively, witty girl. MICHAEL CASSIO

(c) Othello's lieutenant, suspected by him of adultery with Desdemona. Cassio is a serious counterpart of Agnecheak, a similar blend of the woebegone and the peppery, and equally guilible.

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# **OBITUARIES**

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Art Babbitt, film animator, died in Hollywood on March 4 aged 84. He was born on October 8, 1907, in Omaha, Nebraska

ARTHUR Babbin created the dancing mushrooms in Walt Disney's Fantasia and was responsible for the lasting fame of the cartoon character Goofy. In a film career that spanned six decades, from some of the earliest sound cartoons to The Thief and the Cobbler, which is due for release this autumn, Arthur Babbin became one of the most respected figures in an exclusive

He first gained attention for his work at the early Disney studio, animating The Three Little Pigs (1933) and the Evil Queen in Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (1937) which proved a breakthrough in personality animation. He was animation director on Pinocchio (1940), creating Geppetto the wood carver, and was also responsible for the stork in Dumbo (1941).

Obliged to support his family when his father was paralysed, Babbitt worked as a commercial artist for the Paul Terry Studio in New York at the age of 16. When talking pictures were introduced two years earlier, the brief was "don't make it good, make it fast" but Babbitt, who pecame a professional animator in

1929, was never happy with that credo. He first joined the Terry-toons Studio on Long Island, New York, and three years later took a one-way ticket to Los Angeles to work for Wait Disney, where he was quickly promoted from assistant animator to animator.

Babbitt would film his Disney colleagues playing volleyball in the lunch break with his 16mm camera. then study their actions to create a new fluidity on the screen. In doing so he obtained rare footage of Disney himself during that period.

His drawing of the drunken mouse in The Country Cousin won a 1936 Oscar for Disney. Babbitt was fascinated with movement and analysis of character and it was he who turned Goofy from a minor charac-

# **ART BABBITT**





Art Babbitt and two of his cartoon creations. Goofy and Geppetto the cargenter from Pinocchio

ter into a star, thus becoming known at the studio as Father of Goofy.

While Babbitt acknowledged that animation would never havedeveloped without Walt Disney's vision, he did not like Disney and was critical of the studio's subject matter. He wished the medium would gain greater maturity. "How many times do we have to watch Jack and the Beanstalk," he would say. "What about Molière?"

As one of the top Disney men, he lived well throughout the Depression but was fired for leading a strike at the studio. The strike resulted in the Cartoonists Guild becoming the bargaining agent for the studio's workers. Disney was ordered to give Babbitt his job back, but by that time he was serving in the US Marines. Always a fighter, he was also proud of the fact that, having been illegally fired by Disney for his union activities, he personally took Disney to the Supreme Court, and

When the war in the Pacific started, Babbitt was drafted into the non-combat movie section of the army, along with Ronald Reagan. After three days, the animator refused to be part of it and, in spite of his bad eyesight, managed to become a marine. He served in Guam, and was very proud of having attained a top secret clearance, espe-cially since, after his union activities, he had been branded by his enemies as a "suspect lefty".

He returned after the war and working for Disney until 1947. He then become a freelance animator. Later at Hanna-Barbera Studios,

llabbin became director of the commercial department and won more than 80 awards for his television advertisements. In 1974 he received the Winsor McCay trophy, the high-est honour of the International Animation Film Society, which is now setting up an Art Baboitt fund for young animators. He also taught classes at Richard Williams Animation in London.

Babbitt, who was briefly married to Marjorie Belcher, the model for Snow White, is survived by his second wife, Barbara Perry, and three



APPRECIATIONS

#### Stephen Lloyd

TO YOUR admirable obituary of Stephen Lloyd (March 3) there deserves to be added mention of yet one more of "his roles in public life": his great services to the Queen's College, Birmingham. Elected a life governor in 1940, he served on the council for an unbroken period of 45 years; for more than 20 of these he was chairman of the finance committee and, as the vice-president, the senior layman on the governing body.

During his time the responsibilities of both roles were unusually great. His business acumen enabled him to negotiate the sale, very much to the college's advantage, of the original premises in the centre of the city. But his even greater contribution came at the time of the union of Queen's with Handsworth Methodist College, to become the first ecumenical ministe-rial training college in the United Kingdom.
John Habgood, at that

time the principal, now Archbishop of York, was the prime mover in the discussions, but Stephen's support meant that constitutional and financial obstacles were never allowed to hold up proceedings. Without him I suspect that some would have been content "to hasten slowly". As it was he was the great enabler.

A stalwart Anglican, he was, from the first, convinced that this bold move was the right way forward; his influence meant that the govern-ing body acted with unanimity, and union was accomplished in an astonishingly short time. Its success since inauguration has made all participants the sadder at the rejection of Anglican-Methodist reunion.

We who were his colleagues during exciting years admired his resource, physical and spiritual, respected his judgment and the clarity of

his work in committee, appreciated the financial support he gave us in our various assignments, and deeply vaiued his friendship.

Canon R. G. Lunt

STEPHEN Lloyd became my chairman soon after I took up the directorship of the Birmingham Museums and Art Gallery in 1969, and, at a difficult time in the history of the museum, was a tower of strength. He was a brilliant fund-raiser and master tactician; it was largely due to his efforts that money was found for the preservation and res-



toration of the 18th century watermill, Savehole Mill.

Long after his official retirement he continued to show a keen interest in the fine arts, as well as preparing a paper on the Sultanganj Buddha, a superlative, near life-size bronze of the Gupta period, given to Birmingham in the 1860s. His apparent aloofness concealed a warm heart, and, once he had espoused a cause, an unstoppable resolution to carry the campaign through successfully. He belonged to the old Birmingham mercantile aristocracy, but was much respected and admired by fellow councillors of all shades of political opinion.

De Dennis Fare CBE

# ROLPH SCHWARZENBERGER

Rolph Schwarzenberger. professor of mathematics at the University of War-wick, died at the Walsgrave Hospital, Coventry, on February 29, aged 56. He was born on February 7, 1936.

IN THE past decade Rolph Schwarzenberger played a prominent role in mathematics education at a national level. As one-time president of the Mathematical Associ-ation and director of the Mathematics Education Research Centre at Warwick University, he became widely known for his keen analytical faculty and his frank honesty which gave no favour to friend or adversary.

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Schwarzenberger's father was a professor of international law who came with his wife to England to escape Nazi oppression. Rolph Ludwig Edward Schwarzenberger was their only child, born three weeks into the short reign of Edward VIII, and given his third name after the king. From 1954 to 1959 he studied mathematics at Trinity College, Cambridge, and was awarded his PhD as the first research student of Michael Atiyah in

His early years were marked by his greatest academic successes. He was awarded the Rayleigh Prize in 1959, enjoyed a year of research at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton and a year as associate professor at Yale. He was one of the earliest visitors at the Bonn Sondersforschungsinstitut where he worked with F. Hirzebruch, subsequently translating and updating his treatise Topological



Methods in Algebraic

After a period at Liverpool University as a lecturer in mathematics he was invited by Christopher Zeeman to become one of the founding group of mathematicians at the University of Warwick in 1965. The 1960s were heady days for universities, particularly for those with vision. The department of mathematics at Warwick flourished and became renowned as an international centre of excel-

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lence. Schwarzenberger fulfilled the expectations placed upon him and was soon promoted to a professorship (1970), becoming chairman, of the mathematics department (1972-75) and pro-vice chancellor (1974-

In this latter capacity one of his duties was to organise the negotiations for nearby Coventry College to merge with the university as the new faculty of educational studies. He kept the flame alive by

sounding "no".

practices.

delicate and incisive negotiation as the local Labour council first supported, then opposed, the merger. The death of the lord mayor and the loss of his casting vote switched power briefly to the Conservative party, whose first act was to carry the merger through.

Sensing a new challenge, everyone by embracing the fledgling faculty of educational studies and transferring as chairman of the newly constituted department of science education (1979-84), director of the mathematics education research centre (1986-91) and chairman of the education faculty board (1989-91). He threw himself whole-heartedly into his new role, on a national level becoming

president of the Mathematical Association (1983-84) and chairman of the UK Joint Mathematical Council (1984-87).In all of these he was valued

for his integrity and relentless pursuit of principle. It was said that he always found it easier to be honest with people than to be nice to them. For this reason he was a valued friend and confidant whose advice was constantly sought on a wide variety of matters. He devoted a considerable amount of his time to sharing his knowledge and expertise with younger col-leagues. His last months in hospital were filled with a never-ending stream of visitors who continued to seek his opinions, sensing that it was this preoccupation with the problems of others that made

him most contented. He is survived by his wife Dons, and two sons, Paul

# Sir John Griffin, former co-

SIR JOHN BOWES GRIFFIN

lonial law officer and Chief Justice of Uganda (1952-56) has died in retirement in Malta aged 88. He was born in Nyasaland (now Malawi) on April 19, 1903.

LIKE his father who was in the colonial legal service in Nyasaland, John Bowes Griffin had a distinguished legal career in the colonies. He was educated at Conglowes and took his MA and LLD at Dublin University. He was called to the Bar (Inner Temple) in 1926 and, not having had three years' practical experience for a legal appointment, joined the Colonial Administrative Service as a cadet in Soroti, in the eastern province of Uganda. He transferred to the legal service a few years later. On arrival at Entebbe pier from Kisumu in 1926 (there was no railway to Kampala) he was met by his father, Sir Charles Griffin, the Chief Justice of Uganda whom John was destined to

succeed 25 years later. In 1936, he was appointed to the Bahamas as attorneygeneral and in October 1939 he went to Palestine as solicitor-general, where he was closely involved in the problem of the illegal immigration of Jews fleeing Hitler's Ger-many, and with the violence it led to. He narrowly missed being blown up in his office in the King David hotel on July 22, 1946, but lost many close friends and colleagues among the 91 victims. In November 1946 he went as attorney-general to Hong Kong, which was just emerging from Japanese occupa-tion. He produced the Revised Laws of Hong Kong, which became known as the

"Griffin Edition", and in 1952 he was appointed Chief Justice of Uganda, an ap-pointment he held until his retirement in 1956.

During his period under the governorship of Sir An-drew Cohen he was concerned with the legal aspects of the exiling of the Kabaka from Buganda. Mutesa II ish government's proposal that Uganda should become a unitary state. Sir Edward Mutesa's return from exile in October 1962 followed a judgment by the Chief Justice that resulted in compromise being achieved and the amendment of the Uganda Agreement John Griffin was knighted in 1955. After retirement from

Uganda, he acted as Chief Justice in Northern Rhodesia in 1958, and then was appointed Speaker of the Uganda national assembly until 1963. Sir John was one of that valiant band of men who devoted their life and energies to improving the lot of the inhabitants of developing colonies. He did this with success and was proud of his achievements. With his intimate knowledge of colonial life, he was an outspoken critic of the opponents of colonialism. He often said that the East African Territories owed everything of value to an emergent state in the modern world to the benevolent colonialism that they had

emerienced. His first marriage, in 1927, was to Eva Orrell Walsh, who died in 1977. In 1984 he married again to Margaret Leaver, who died last year. His two daughters by the first marriage survive him.

### John Parry

BY CHANCE I read Clive Roslin's letter of appreciation of John Parry (obituary, February 7) and was over-whelmed by the need to add my voice - to his words.

John Parry gave me my first job when a teenager in Salisbury, and I worked for him from January 1949 to October 1950. I suspect the remarkable achievements and standards that he attained in southern Africa would be an impossible task for one person today.

I recall his commentary when the MCC played in

Salisbury, the visits of the original American touring comany of Oklahomal, interviewing Anton Dolin and Alicia Markova and, in the studio, recording amazing African music.

John Parry had exacting standards, but his tolerance was my good fortune. On one's own for the last news bulletin of the day, one's in-stinct for pronunciation of local place names did not always ring true, amusing the engineer but not always local farmers.

An era of those times has now passed into history with

#### **Robert Gittings**

THE charge that "deeper tones of imaginative experience" were beyond Robert Gittings's capacity as a poet (obituary, February 21) is less than fair.

A poet capable of the tender empathy shown by Gittings

the death of John Parry. Felicity Tortike in his exquisite "The Great Moth" deserves acknowledgement comparable to that accorded to Keats for his bestknown Ode. I believe he would (and should) as soon be

remembered for one wholly

successful poem as for his studies of other men and their Jon Wynne-Tyson

1910

#### March 9 ON THIS DAY

One of Lord Northcliffe's innovations after he purchased The Times In 1908

was to use its columns for self-advertisement. It is not known how successful such cloying phrases as those voiced below were. Would they have persuaded today's tele-sales

Adventures to the Adventurous.

A constant feature of The Times small advertisement columns is the number of appoint ments and investments abroad Times public is the public most familiar with oversea travel of course accounts for these announcements, and also those of Steamship Companies and Foreign Railways, being so

Almost every day the whole course and tenor of some life must be altered by the appearance of a brief, unemotional advertisement in the columns classified as "Situations Vacant," or "Partnerships, Investments, &c." in this journal; and doubtless the first suggestion of a career abroad often actually originates over the breakfast table. For it is not only the determined seeker after travel whose attention is thus arrested. The seed of adventurousness may be acmally sown, through the fact that The Times small advertisements are always good reading, so that, through what was at first but curiosity, fire is set to the fuel of young ambition, and half-a-dozen lines of print end by

remaking a life. Fancy weaves many a story around these offers of foreign employment. Only a very cold and unimaginative mind could fail to scent afar off the excitements promised by one which appeared last week:-

and subsequently to run. I large electrical installation. Fredirence given to one who has taken entire charge of a Camral Fower Station. Inclusive salary at the rate of £500 per annum out of which successful candidate must provide his maintenance and servant. First-class passage and allowance for expenses on voyage provided. Agreement for 12 mounts service on the property. — Write Eox 591, care of Smith's Advertising Offices, \$1, Magogare-ares, London, E.C.

How alkering are the very words of this! "Ashanh" is a name with magic in it. Some young man who will answer, or who has already answered, the above might always have been a home-stayer. Instead will within a few weeks be hearing savage tongues and extracting delicate work from black and only half-civilized hands. He will be wrestling with a ferocious climate and thrilling with the excitement of those from whom neither tropic sun nor insidious malaria can protect the pillaged gold reef. He will tread the soil which a generation ago was darkened by the blood of human sacrifice, and on the road of Wolseley's march to Kumassi he will see, face to face, idols that have been propitiated by men's sacrifice and defended at the price of a Throne - all this as the

outcome of a paragraph in the smallest print of The Times! Thousands of miles in a totally opposite direction influences of a totally opposite character await other bold spirits. Each of the following announcements appeared in The Times last week-AN ENGLISH GENTLEMAN, farming in Canada, SEERS PARTNER to take up land who can invest \$300- in first instance apply Major Lindsy, 29, Stanthorpe-road, Streatham, S.W.

STATION OF THE ASSESSED STATEMENT, S.W. DAIRY RANKING and (ed) COTTON GROWING in South Catifornia. Young Englishman (2), years successful management of large manch seeks FARTINER with Capital for above profitable investment. Higher netericates. Apply to Ray, Flower-Rills, and Simon. Solicitors, 58 Mangaret-street, Regent-street, W. Their words are few - nothing

conduces to terseness of diction like the practice of writing what must be paid for by the word!- but the man who responds to either of these will in all likelihood be on the road to make an entirely new personality for himself. He will soon have transplanted himself from the artificial soil of civilization and begun to be in touch with appeared last were-ELECTRICIAN WANTED to sail Production at its origin and with immediately for a Gold Mining Compa, the ultimate heart of Nature. His my's services in Ashani. Must be own character cannot fail to be competent to complete the erection of profoundly affected.

### Latest wills

shire...

Sir Herbert Leslie Joseph, of Newton, Porthcawi, Mid Glamorgan, Vice-Chairman of Trust House Forte 1970-80, left estate valued at £2,749,157 net. The Rev John David Bickersteth,

of Agmerhurst House, Ash-burnham, East Sussex, founder of the Ashburnham Christian Trust, left estate valued at £1,285,303 Alice Ellen Haigh, of Stoneygare, Leicester, left estate valued at £1,235,980 net.

London NW1, former chairman of Bertram Mills Circus, left estate valued at £741,044 nct. Other estates include (net, before

tax paid):

Mr Cyril Bertram Mills, of

### Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Amerigo Vespucci, explorer, Florence, 1451; Honoré Mirabeau, statesman, Bignon, France, 1749; Joseph Franz Gall. anatomist, founder of phrenology. Tiefenbrunn, Austria, 1758; William Cobbett, essayist and politician, Farnham, Surrey, 1763; Taras Shevchenko, poet, Ukraine, 1814; Victoria Sackville-West, novelist and biog-rapher, Knole castle, Kent, 1892. David Smith, sculptor, Decatur, Indiana, 1906.

DEATHS: David Rizzio, favourite of Mary Queen of Sests, murdered, Edinburgh, 1566; Jules Mazarin, cardinal, states-man, Vincennes, France, 1661; Arnold Toynbee, social philosopher, London, 1883; William I, German emperor 1871-88, Ber-lin, 1888; Frank Wedekind, dramatist, Munich, 1918.

More than 60 people were killed in storms over southern England, lasting until the 13th, 1891.

# Architecture

# Council caught in the tendering trap

By MARCUS BINNEY, ARCHITECTURE CORRESPONDENT

FEW ministers care so much the basic reading for their syllabus. "We are not against about the quality of public competition, but we're being architecture as Michael asked to compete on every-thing. I am responsible for Heseltine. Yet will he listen to the man who has done more hundreds of schools and fire than anyone to raise the stanstations. I issue 85.000 ordard of public sector design? ders a year. They vary be-tween £1,000 and £5 million. The answer so far is a re-True, the issue at stake, Just to administer compencompulsory competitive tentive tendering on each of these would mean doubling

dering, is hardly the stuff of headlines. Tory ministers the size of my department." believe that the quality of The government, he says, has simply failed to under-stand what architects do. architectural services will be improved by competition, and that county architects? "People think you simply departments like Hampdraw up a schedule of accomshire's should have to tender modation and give it to an for work against private architect. But our job is to analyse the need. There may Stansfield Smith, Hampbe other ways of meeting it which do not involve capital shire's distinguished county

architect, views Tory minisoutlay on new building." Architects will simply end ters with the anguish of a professor whose students have completely failed to do up building management mistakes, he says. "Take schools. It's often the ones which are least used that demand more accommodation. "If you're based in the suburbs or a business park on a green field site, you might be able to solve all your architectural needs on a procurement basis. But local authorities are dealing all the time with difficult inner city sites and sensitive locations in historic towns and villages. All this requires a high degree of

compare the work of the

in-house expertise and first hand knowledge." In architectural terms, Hampshire gets the benefits of competition by regularly giving commissions to national figures such as Ted Cullinan and Michael Hopkins, as well as to numerous local practices. There is no question of a monopoly. Elected members can and do

in-house ream with outside practices. Hampshire's members are proud of their record on cost

as well as aesthetics. Councillors say they would be happy to provide trading accounts for the architects' work that the government would make subject to tendering. The National Audit Office could then draw up a league table of local authorities and compuisory tendering could be applied to those with the poorest

Will the secretary of state listen? Heseltine is not a badmannered man, rather the opposite. But when he came to deliver the oration marking the award of the Royal Gold Medal in Architecture to Stansfield Smith, he gave a party political speech, failing to mention the recipient. Hampshire Tories squirmed.

Labour to

phase out.

# The Queen echoes her son's green concerns

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

50 nations were responsible

for a third of the planet. "We

all share the task of ensuring

that our world will remain fit

for life and capable of sustain-

ing us and those who will

Her message, which will be read out during a multi-faith service in Westminster Abbey

by Chief Erneka Anyaoku, the Commonwealth secretary-

general, is her strongest en-

dorsement yet of green causes, and echoes the force-

ful speeches on the environ-

ment by the Prince of Wales.

She says that for too long

the natural environment has

been taken for granted. It was evident that people had to

make sure they caused no

further destruction, nor permanently degraded the natural resources on which they depended. "For example, un-

less we take action now to halt

the rise in global tempera-

tures, rising sea levels will threaten the very existence of

several islands and low-lying Commonwealth countries,"

She calls on ordinary

people to influence democrat-

c governments to take action.

Everyone could make a con-

tribution, however large or small, to ensure the future

health and vitality of the nat-

ural world. Bringing about

the necessary changes would not be easy, particularly if it involved restraints and sacri-

fices. But it had to be done

and everyone could help in one way or another. She ap-

peals especially to the young

people of the Commonwealth

to make themselves aware of

Protecting the environment

is now a universal goal, and will be the theme of a United

Nations conference in Rio de

Janeiro this summer. But it is

not without controversy. De-

veloping countries say they cannot afford the costs of

environmental clean-ups and

cannot forgo developments,

such as the building of dams,

that are often condemned by

environmentalists. Poorer

Commonwealth countries, have accused the West of ex-

sources without paying

compensation for environ-

mental destruction.

the critical issues.

come after us."

THE Queen has gone green. Taking up a cause pro-claimed with such enthusiasm by her son, she issues a heartfelt plea today to the peoples of the earth to save the natural environment from destruction.

In a message to mark Com-monwealth Day, she calls on all the peoples of the 50 Com-monwealth nations to remember that they share the world with many other living things. "The earth is a gift to us all, whoever we are, wherever we live," she says.

There was only one planet, and all life on it was interdependent. The peoples of the

### **Ministers** hint at tax cuts

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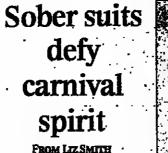
John MacGregor, the Commons leader, said yesterday: "We have got tax rates down because it is essential people should decide how they spend their own money."

He declined, however, to give an assurance that the Budget would be balanced by the previous target of 1994-95. "I would not give a pre-cise timetable," he said.

Ministers continued to defend a rise in public borrowing. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, said in an interview on Walden on London Weekend Television: 'A low tax economy combined with financial dence is what is required. It is essential to lighten the bur-den on corporate tax as well as personal taxation."

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, said: "We are in a recession, and in a recession social security payments go up. It is reasonable to use the fiscal system to stimulate the

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IN MILAN

THE opening of the interna-tional fashion collections at the weekend coincided with carnival week parades in Mi-lan. Colourful clowns and tinselly Mardi Gras costumes in the streets; however, served only to show up more sharply the sober mood inside the Italian fashion houses, as the top names in the industry struggle through the worldwide retailing recession.

Many designers have shifted their attention to lowerpriced secondary lines. competing for volume sales in a wider fashion market: Valentino with his Oliver label, Gianni Versace with Versus and Istante, Giantranco Ferre with Oaks.

Giorgio Armani, whose lower-priced Emporio label, with its distinctive eagle crest, is recognised on every high street, consolidated his position as leader of the Milan design pack by kicking off the programme of shows with discreet ankle-length camel coats and chalkstripe camel coats and chalkstripe flannel trouser suits for day, and feminine variations on the simple black-tie and tuxedo look for night. For the first time, he gave equal billing to clothes bearing the Emporio eagle and his toppriced label in the one show.

Like every other designer Armani has lengthened his skirts. The best, at Emporio, are skinny with a slit on one side from mid-calf to thigh. They are worn with a long lean jacket in black-and-

Even Dolce & Gabbana whose signature style is an overtly sery lingerie look, managed to combine their strapless bra tops with Sicilian gangster pinstripe trou-ser suits, with a classic



Armani: equal billing for his cheaper line

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By Philip Howard SHAKESPEARIANS

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Alla Milanese: Dolce & Gabbana's Hawaii print scarf twisted and knotted into a short dress worn with flower garlands; the same designers' Berlin cabaret number, black trousers and braces

# Savage battle unfolds in hills

laughter. "Don't run away. brothers," one of them shouted. "Come and live with us on the mountain.

Behind this row of hills, a tank unit from the Commonwealth of Independent States stationed at Shelli was drawn up; its guns pointing towards

The captain of the force refused to say why they were there, but he emphasised that they were completely neutral. The Azerbaljani objective is

to push up into the Arme-nian-controlled mountains, up the road from Agdam to Askeran, Khodjaly and Stepanakert, the capital of the Armenian populated enof Nagorno-Karabakh, and win the war. However, so far they have lost Khodjaly, and on Friday, an Azerbajani

attack to retake Askeran was beaten back.

I spoke to an Azerbaijani soldier. Samid Khudaverdiyev, who was wounded in the fighting in Askeran on Friday afternoon. Two other men from that battle were also in hospital.

An official of the Popular Front, the opposition that forced the resignation of President Mutalibov of Azerbaijan on Friday, said that in all 15 Azerbaijanis were killed and a similar number wounded in the battle for Askeran. One of them, he said, was blown up while trying to clear a path through a minefield

for the Azerbaijani forces. At a press conference at the weekend in Agdam, a local Popular Front military leader, Rustam Gajlev, claimed that an Azerbaijam "counter-

areas might see a little rain and more persistent rain will spread

nians from Askeran, Nakhichavanik, and Khanabad. which are now in no man's land. However, the Azerbaijani soldiers on our hilltop post said that these places were still under Armenian control, and that the Azerbaijanis were hurling rockets blindly into the battle

known that there were comrades there. According to Mr Galley, the Armenians have informed Azerbaijan that they still hold more than 500 hostages. About 700 men have been handed back to

which would certainly not have been the case if they had

In the hospital at Agdam, where many of them have been admitted for frostbite, a Mrs Gulaya Orujeva claimed

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Most places will have a dry,

bright day. Western coastal

coldblood. She also claimed that other prisoners had been beaten and robbed, and that one young woman was raped.
Accounts like these are fuelling the anger of the Azer-baljanis, who are now preparing for a long and cru-el war. Casualties in Friday's

fighting may have been low, but outside the mosque in Agdam, there were more than 200 makeshift wooden coffins ready and waiting. Last night Armenian nationalists accused Turkey of seeking to exploit the fighting in Nagorno-Karabakh in

order to spread its influence through Muslim republics of

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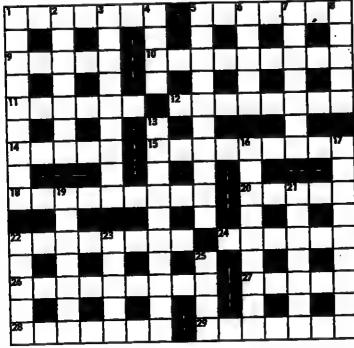
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Renton, the arts minister, commissioned a report on the state of the national museums buildings and the likely cost of bringing them up to acceptable standards. The report has still not been made public. The Museums and Galleries Commission, statutory adviser to Mr Renton, has urged him to publish. Mr Renton is involved in a

tussle over regional exhibitions touring the country after a report into the work of the commission recommended that its travelling exhibition service should be properly funded or cease to exist. Mr Renton accepted the recommendation, conwould be no more money the service should end.

Mediation efforts, page 10

### THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,861



ACROSS 1 Like a little doctor's treatment in

5 Foreign money is the making of him (7).

9 Taken out, being rather old (5). 10 Damage with a coin maybe, or a small instrument (9).

11 A team's remarks not generally overhead (6). 12 27 appearing in film that is improperly distributed (8).

14 Iron in cupboard (5). 15 Stars with capital going to American lawyer (9).

18 Servicemen calling for some relaxation (9).
20 After a row walk the dog (5). 22 A river and country rat (8). 24 She's far from bright - backing

neither alternative (6). 26 The head will get personal support in a lawsuit (5-4).

#### Ф PARKER 🔔 DUOFOLD

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 18,861 will appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fountain pen supplied

by Parker

27 Rated perhaps as skilled work

28 Sweet stuff will be found in the centre — a clear liquid (7). 29 Drink about ten? That's a bad

1 Incorrectly parked in outside carpark - it's criminal! (9).

2 "Room at the Top" occupying the French screen (7). 3 Directs a dunderhead over clothes (9). 4 A nymph's sound reflection (4).

5 Lots may be so hostile (10). 6 Spoken - spoken as permitted

7 Hand without trumps makes trick (7). 8 Begin to jump (5).

13 Public officer coping with a trying job (10). 16 Chipping, for example, a great painting (3,6).

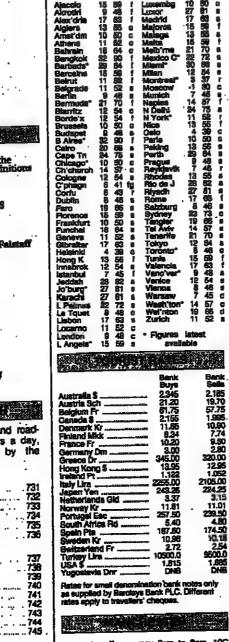
17 Putting a point about Navy ratings decoration (9). 19 Low - right time for a tie-up (7). 21 Tore up class report (7). 22 Limits a large number just a little

23 Pick-me-up for heavyweight in charge (5). 25 Watch money gradually leak

Concise Crossword, page 9

into north Wales and northern England during the evening. Most of Scotland and Northern Ireland will start dry, but rain, heavy in the west, will spread east, reaching all parts by the afternoon. It will become generally more windy, with gales in parts of the north.

Outlook: continuing unsettled with rain in most places.



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museum charges ARTS CORRESPONDENT ADMISSION charges for national museums would be phased out by a Labour government, the party says in a museums and galleries charter to be launched today. Mark Fisher, shadow ans minister, said that admissions had fallen by an average of 40 per cent where charges had been introduced. There would be consultation with the museums on compensating for loss of income under would include a national audit of museums and galleries receiving public subsidy to ascertain their capital needs. A survey by The Times last

year showed that the 11 mu-seums funded by the Office of Arts and Libraries would need almost £1 billion spent on them by the end of the decade to complete refurbishment and development schemes. Money from a national lottery would be earmarked by a Labour 4 government to restore the fabric of cultural buildings. There would be an en-

hanced role for area museums councils to enable them to take on a development role. Local authorities would be given a statuory responsibility for museums with expenditure being eligible for rate

support grant Priority would be given to improving museums training with the Museums Training Institute given the task of raising new income. Labour would also ratify a Unesco convention to control the illic-

it traffic of national treasures. The state of museum buildings has been of growing concern. A year ago, Tim

# THE TIMES BUSINESS

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BUSINESS EDITOR JOHN BELL

MAN OF THE WEEK

### Saatchi axeman keeps his head

orman Lamont and Saatchi & Saatchi have two things in common. Both secure a fourth term of Conservative govern-ment and both have big diary dates tomorrow.

A few hours before Mr
Lamont unveils his Budget proposals, Saatchi &
Saatchi — once again

advertising agency to the Tory party — will report annual results. Mr Lamont will live or die with his Budget. Robert Louis-Dreyfus, Saatchi's chief executive, may be treated more gently. At first sight it will be

difficult to see why. Saatchi's results are expected to be look dreadful. with an operating deficit magnified by exceptional items into a pre-tax loss that could run to tens of millions of pounds. Time surely for this laid-back, wealthy Frenchman to fall on his sword, or for a pretender to cut off his head?

Neither is likely. Saatchi, you see, is making progress. In the two years since M Louis-Dreyfus was installed, he has rid the group of its cripplingly expensive American consultancies and avoided the bank-ruptcy that looked in-evitable.

But having demon-strated his skills as corporate pragmatist and



Louis-Dreyfus: flair

well connected diplomat, it is time for him to show some of the flair that helped turn IMS International, a pharmeeu-tical research group, from a \$100 million company in 1983, the year after he joined, to one worth \$1.7 billion in 1988 when, as chief executive, he negotiated its sale to Dun & Bradstreet. But that was the Eighties.

t Saatchi in the Nineties, he has begun the process by taking an axe to the cost base, and shown himself ready to take on the huge egos and matching salaries of advertising ... and win. Cutting jobs in a recession is easy. The skill will be not to strip the group of all its creative talent just as the recovery arrives. But blood there must be. In a year's time Louis-Dreyfus may have earned a little gratitude from shareholders, but not much in the way of thanks from his staff.

MATTHEW BOND

'Jam tomorrow', page 18

**CHANGE ON WEEK** 

THE POUND US dollar 1.7155 (-0.0425) German mark

Exchange index 89.9 (-0.8) Bank of England official close (4pm)

2.8700 (-0.0078)

#### STOCK MARKET

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# Hopes of lower interest rates recede

# Lamont to opt for tax cuts and caution

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

NORMAN Lamont, the Chancellor, intends to cut income tax in tomorrow's Budget but will give the economy only a cautious. fiscal boost for fear of upsetting the financial markets in the run-up to the general election.

City economists' confidence that the government: would deliver a base rate cut to accompany the Budget has waned as the pound weak-ened in the exchange-rate mechanism. With little scope in the Budget to boost sterling enough to justify fresh monetary easing. Mr Lamont will be further constrained if the prime minister announces the election this week. The convention is to leave interest rates unchanged during elec-

ulation that the Budget would open the way for a half-point curin base rate to 10 per cent, the Treasury yesterday under-lined the narrow gap, of 0.75 of a percentage point, be-tween German and British interest rates. Given Bundesbank concern about inflation,

there is little hope before the second half of this year that Germany will widen the differential by lowering its interest rate guard. By reducing interest rates prematurely, Mr Lamont could risk the political embarrassment of having to raise them again After Opposition charges

that the government is "bribing" the electorate with borrowed money, Mr Lamont is expected to unveil a fiscal

### package of about £3 billion that will boost the public sec-**Outlook worsens** for car industry

BY KEVIN BASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

CARMAKERS are rapidly revising their sales estimates downwards as evidence grows that even measures to kickstart the economy in tomorrow's Budget may fail to give the alling industry a sigificant boost

Projections based on registrations in the first two months of this year suggest sales as low as 1.5 million well below the 1.6 million of ielf a substantial drop on the 2 million and 2.3 million of the two preceding

an improving economy, Vauxhall believes that total 1992 registrations may only stagger to 1.67 million. Volkswagen is even gloomier, ex-pecting only a repeat of last year's number. Hopes are high that the Budget will encourage new buyers to enter Britain's 13,000 showrooms by cutting the special 10 per CELL CELL TEST

However, Peter Batchelor, Vauxhall's sales and market-

ANC aims to

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investment

THE African National Con-

gress is set to unveil an

investment code guarantee-

ing rights for foreign inves-

tors, its most positive step so

far towards reassuring inves-

tors about the future of South

Africa (Jon Ashworth writes).

director of economic affairs,

told The Times that foreign

investors will be allowed to

repatriate some of their prof-

guarantee has been made in

writing - and that a stable

and growing economy was

needed to attract investment.

— the first time such a

Max Sisulu, the ANC's

ing director, said yesterday that even abolition of the special tax would bring only 140,000 new sales in a full year to an industry where registrations were running last month almost 35 per cent below February 1991. The Budget is proving a double-edged sword, with buyers delaying their purchases in anticipation of price cuts.

However, any reduction in car tax will probably not come into force until April, which is close to the industry's traditional quiet time. That Even with the prospect of could delay any substantial rise in registrations until August, the peak month of the year, meaning manufactur-ers effectively lose eight months of sales. Mr Batchelor said: "People

are holding off and the question will be after the Budget whether they choose to wait longer for the confidence to come back to the economy and then whether they wait for new registrations in Aug-

about £24 billion in fiscal 1992-3. Although double this year's PSBR, and well above the £20 billion implied in November's autumn statement, it would appear pru-dent relative to the wilder borrowing some economists have predicted.

It is possible, though, that Mr Lamont may produce a lower figure through attractive national savings products and an improved scheme. To reduce the impact of Budget giveways on gov-ernment finances, Mr Lamont is expected to uprate duties on drink and tobacco at least in line with inflation and introduce new savings instruments. Last week, the government- announced plans for a national lottery.

A lowered forecast for economic growth in 1992 — almost halving the 2.25 per cent the Treasury predicted last year — would also help convince the markets that the Chancellor is giving the econ-

omy an appropriate boost, instead of a panic kick-start. The expected 1p reduction in the standard rate of income tax to 24p also looks moderate compared with the speculation of a big push towards the Conservative goal of 20p. Other tax measures are likely to include a substantial increase, possibly twice the inflation rate, in personal tax allowances that would enable hundreds of thousands of voters to stop paying income tax. Com-bined with the cut in the basic rate, the measures will underline the Conservative commitment to reducing income tax

Help for companies is likely in the form of temporary measures, such as tax holidays for capital investment, to bring forward spending plans. Relief for the small business sector could come in measures to ease the burden of the uniform busines rate and raise the VAT threshhold

. The Chancellor will also reaffirm the government's commitment to the ERM and indicate the likely timing of sterling's shift to the narrow fluctation bands.

Budget prospects, page 1

### Five newcomers are shortlisted for award

FIVE firms have been shortlisted in the new company of pers Deloitte PLC Awards for 1991, which are held in association with The Times (Martin Barrow writes).

They are Eurocamp, the camping holiday operator; Frost Group, the petrol retailer, Harrington Kilbride, a specialist publisher; Clarke Foods, Britain's second-largest ice-cream maker; and Airbreak Leisure, the tour

This is a new category for companies that went public in 1991, a lacklustre year for Two warnings, page 9 new issues. Judges were look-foreign capital, page 19 ing for candidates that had new issues. Judges were lookCOOPERS DELOITE PLC AWARDS

already demonstrated strong growth and management qualities. The winner will be announced at the Coopers Deloitte PLC Awards dinner on March 19 at the Grosvenor House hotel, London.



Dropping in at the Waldorf: Abseller Mike Weaver inspects the front of London's Waldorf hotel in Aldwych as part of a £12.5 million refurbishment by

Forte, the international hotel group. The refurbishment will take up to a year. The Waldorf, acquired by Lord Forte in 1958, was the first hotel in his portfolio,

wide. Forte will upgrade the 296 bedrooms, install air conditioning, double glazing, new lifts and clean the facade.

### **EC looks** at subsidy trade-off to

rescue Gatt FROM TOM WALKER

IN BRUSHELS
EUROPEAN Community
aerospace executives and
Martin Bangemann, the European commissioner for industry, have discussed a seemingly far-fetched plan that could ease tensions between the Community and America through a trade-off involving aerospace and agri-cultural subsidies.

Officials from AECMA, the industry grouping of nine of the Community's largest aerospace concerns, have suggested that if Germany can be persuaded to back the call by Arthur Dunkel, the secretary general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, for 36 per cent subsidy cuts in the common agricultural policy, then the American authorities might drop their complaint over Airbus subsidies, which is lodged with a special Gatt

committee. The trade-off has been dismissed by foreign office officials from France and Germany, but those at the meeting in Pointers, southwest France, have confirmed that the aerospace executives did talk about agricultural subsidies. The plan could embarrass France, which is hoping that the Bonn-Paris axis can remain firm in the face of Mr Dunkel's call for the subsidy cuts.

Within Germany, however, the FDP, the Free Democratic Party, is pushing for a Gatt deal and there have been signs that Bonn is prepared to negotiate agricultural subsidy cuts at Gan.

Sources close to Rolls-Royce, the aerospace concern, confirmed that the aeronautics-agriculture trade-off in Gatt had been discussed

Although the meeting was highly secretive, minutes of the discussions are now circulating among aircraft industry executives and these confirm that the commission believes it can play a strong

Trend-setters, page 20 role

# Siemens chooses UK for new arm

By WOLFGANG MUNCHAU.

SIEMENS has chosen Britain as the headquarters of its Air Traffic Management systems business, the first time the electronics giant has placed a core business divi-sion outside Germany.

The decision marks an attempt to increase Siemens activities in Britain, where the company hit the headlines in 1989 when it launched its hostile joint takeover bid with GEC for Plessey. It is also a move to capitalise on Plessey's

experience in radar. Siemens ATM is among the world's top four companies in this industry, which provides civil aviation au-thorities with radar-based air traffic detection equipment. In some cases, ATM companies also build airports.

Siemens' defence-related activities are believed to have suffered heavily from the fall in defence expenditure. The establishment of an ATM company within this divison forms part of a "tanks-to-

tractors" conversion strategy. Siemens ATM has a turnover of about £100 million and employs 1,000 staff, mostly at in Chessington, Surrey. It also has operations in Ger-many and America.

The total world market for ATM equipment is estimated to be worth \$2 billion, growing at a rate of 15 per cent annually. The other big oper ators in this market are IBM and Raytheon of America and Thomson of France.

Clive Dolan, managing director of the ATM division, visage annual growth of 30 per cent and that the aim was to generate turnover of several hundred million pounds by the end of the decade.

The decision to form a separate division with headquarters in Britain was taken as long as 12 months ago, but was not activated until the company recently bought Cardion, an American ATM

#### R-R in talks on state research aid

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH

ROLLS-Royce, the aero-engineering group, confirmed it was in talks with the government that could eventually lead to a degree of state funding for research and development work.

A spokesman said: "There has been no specific request for aid."

The talks are part of a drive by the engineering and aerospace industries to explore the possibility of government investment, launch funds and European Community

funding. On Friday, Sir Raiph Robins, Rolls-Royce's chief executive, told the Aviation Club "Some of our foreign friends are extremely expert at pro-viding indirect support."

Last year, Rolls-Royce cut 7,000 jobs and on Thursday the group announced a slump in pre-tax profits from £176 million to £51 million for 1991. A further 3,000 jobs are to go this year.

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# Lacoste crocodile snaps at the pirates

FROM SEAN MACCARTHAIGH IN PARIS



EVERY -summer, thousands Olazabal, kit bags and its own gions, pouncing on street-sellbut a tiny, green crocodile on their left breast. "Nice tan. nice Lacoste shirt!" say their friends and colleagues. The use of French fashion labels tan may be real, but the Lacoste is often a fake.

tennis hero, in 1927. He in the battle against the abound but the company is helped France to win the Da- pirates. bet on a match.

year, and the company has key, Morocco and Italy. widened its range of goods. The thrust of Lacoste's anti- feel the quality, the fake producing tennis rackets, a counterfeit strategy does not shrinks in the wash, the range of sports clothes, such rely on staff members posing stitching falls apart, but the

of holidaymakers come home eau de toilette. All are priced ers. Instead, the company sporting not just a suntan, for the luxury market; the spends its money on trying to ubiquitous crocodile costs. In 1990, Le Monde news-

paper claimed that fraudulent down hard on the forgers. was costing the country Fr5 billion a year and 20,000 who will, on occasion, quietly The all-important trade jobs. This year, the special raise the issue with their oppmark first appeared on the section juridique of lacoste osite numbers when on offiblazer of René Lacoste, the will spend about Fr15 million cial visits. False crocodiles

the American press as "The man for the mark said: "We're Paris anti-counterfeit team is Crocodile" when he won a gearing ourselves up for not predicting total success crocodile-skin suitease in a another summer." The worst this year, or next; it admits it countries for the fabrication is a slow battle. More than 10 million of fake crocodiles, he predictpeople buy his shirts every ed, would be Thailand. Tur- from its own propaganda.

persuade the authorities in offending areas to clamp Lacoste has also secured the help of French ministers,

understandably coy when it vis Cup and became known in Lionel Rondouin, a spokes- comes to such details. The

> But Lacoste takes succour Never mind the green reptile,

Olazabal: the real thing as worn by José-Maria as tourists in far-flung re- original lasts forever.

Four LUI

firms

ready for

liquidation

BY NEIL BENNETT

BANKING CORRESPONDENT

FOUR subsidiaries of London United Investments, the collapsed insurance group that is being investigated by the trade and industry de-

partment, have been placed

in provisional liquidation, to

help them settle tens of thou-

The High Court appointed

Chris Hughes and Ian Bond

from Cork Gully as provisional liquidators to Kingscroft

Insurance, El Paso Insur-

ance. Lime Street Insurance

and Mutual Reinsurance,

Their job is to try to implement a scheme of arrange-

ment for the companies so

they can pay out a proportion

of the many claims they face. If that fails, Cork Gully will

ask the court to place KELM in liquidation. The liquida-

tors will report back to the

four companies had assets and potential reinsurance re-

coveries of up to \$1.25 billion

but face claims estimated at

\$2.4 billion. Some of these

will not emerge for up to 20

years because the companies

specialised in so-called long-

Mr Hughes said that the

creditors by July.

known together as KELM.

sands of insurance claims.

# Saatchi poised for 'jam tomorrow' payment scheme

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH

A RADICAL scheme for remuneration of top Saatchi & Saatchi employees will be considered by the group's directors today. High earners at Saatchis will see their basic salaries fall but are being promised jam tomorrow in the form of a three-year deferred bonus scheme linked to profitability as a sweetener.

The three-year deferred bonus scheme, which is expected to take the form of cash payments but may include an element of options, is only for Saatchi top earners internationally.

The group has not yet given details of how it will differ

from the controversial and much criticised Burton Group deferred bonus plan. The scheme is expected to have the effect of tying the most productive high earners into the Saatchi group. Those who beat their budget targets will do "exceedingly well" under the new scheme that will be tied to local

profitability. News of the scheme comes before the group's results, which are due tomorrow. A £50 million loss is expected by some analysts, as high one-off costs for redundancies and property take their toll.

The deferred bonus may

# Phoenix to launch £75m capital fund

BY OUR BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE Phoenix Partnership is planning to launch a development capital fund worth up to £75 million as part of a diversification from its traditional corporate finance business. The Mitsubishi Corporation, one of Japan's largest companies, is expected to take a one-third stake in the fund as part of its growing links with

Phoenix Fund Managers, a new subsidiary of the partnership, is marketing the fund to international investors. The operation is being led by David Gregson, the former director of Globe Investment Trust, who was recruited last year. A successful completion of the first closing of the fund would mark another coup for Phoenix, given the low level of activity in the development capital market at present. Phoenix hopes to raise up to £40 million in the first

Phoenix believes diversifying into development capital will complement its traditional corporate finance business. which will offer advisory services to the companies in

will be monitored by independent investors in the fund. The fund has been given a head start with the support of MCF Financial Services, a subsidiary of Mitsubishi, which has agreed to invest up to £25 million. Mitsubishi has targeted financial services as a growth area and, in 1990, took a 20 per cent stake in the Phoenix Partnership

which the fund invests. The

firm's corporate finance and

asset management businesses

from Morgan Grenfell. Phoenix was founded in 1981 and rose to prominence for its work on some of the City's large mergers, including the sale of Wedd Durlacher, the stocklobber, to Barclays Bank. Most recently, it helped to arrange the sale of Hoare Govett to ABN-

Phoenix has shown its intention to extend its corporate finance activities into the insurance industry by recruiting Michael Butt, the former chairman of Eagle Star, as a director of Phoenix Sec-

replace the present share option scheme, which has not been a success. Saatchi's shares have fallen to 164p. The current annual bonus paid to top staff is expected to remain.

The element of fixed pay in top executive's salaries will fall. Some are already experiencing a pay freeze and that will be extended where possible to other high paid employees. Saatchis says there will be no mass breaching of existing contracts and the new arrangements will be introduced gradually.

Salaries at Saatchis have long been considered top heavy with senior employees on above market rates and junior employees on below market rates. About 300 employees earned more than £150,000 each last year and 30 earned more than the £312,000 paid to Maurice and Charles Saatchi, who both waived the right to half

Salaries currently represent 60 per cent of Saatchis fixed cost bill and Robert Louis-Dreyfus, the chief executive, wants to reduce this by 10

percentage points.
A spokesman for the group said: "The board will tomorrow be considering long-term pay incentives designed to increase the percentage of variable pay and reduce the fixed element. There is no truth in the suggestion that there will be a mass reduction in senior salaries."

The earnings of the Saatchi after the firm was bought brothers, Charles and Maurice, do not come under the new scheme. Their salaries are reviewed by the compensation committee that sets directors salaries and also meets today. No decision has been taken on the level of directors' salaries, but a pay cut for the brothers is not inevitable.

Saarchis is braced for a degree of dissatisfaction from top employees. The chief exnesses have already been informed and they are expected to sell the concept to their

# Firms' cars overtaken by recession



ROLLS-Royces, Porsches, Ferraris and Aston Martins are rolling into the Buck-Inghamshire headquarters of Storacar as companies go into liquidation and directors' runabouts are seized by the

BT bonus

report

denied

insolvency accountants. Allan Cowen (above), managing director of Storacar, says 15 per cent of the group's turnover now comes from recession-hit businesses. Finance houses are repossessing

cars when payment schedules are not met and clearing banks are sending in cars over which they have a charge. The cars are stored until they can be sent to specialist vehicle auctions.

# DTI stonewalls on being misled over Blue Arrow

By Colin Narbrough, economics correspondent

BRITISH Telecom has denied that Iain Vallance, its chairman, would earn a per-THE trade and industry deformance-related bonus from partment fended off enquiries into a press report at the savings the company will make from its estimated weekend that it plans to look 25,000 redundancies. into allegations that govern-A report in Saturday's Daiment investigators into the Blue Arrow affair were misled

ended this year with convic-

tions against three former di-

rectors of County NatWest,

the bank's merchant banking

arm, for offences of fraud in

connection with covering up

the failure of the £837 million

The Bank of England de-

nied allegations in The Econ-

omist that it had conspired with NatWest to prevent the DTI launching an official en-

ry into the part player the clearing bank in the failed

rights issue. NatWest refused

to comment on allegations

concerning Mr Frost's con-

duct in the period before and during the DTI enquiry.

A DTI spokesman said that the department was unable to comment on the latest allegations, as the matter was sub

judice since a second Blue

Arrow trial is still possible. It

was a DTi report from Mich-

ael Crystal and David Spence, the official inspec-tors, made public in July

Blue Arrow rights issue.

ly Mirror said the redundancles would save BT £500 million and would earn Mr over the role of Tom Frost, chief executive of National Vallance, who the company Westminster Bank. said earned £450,000, a per-Mr Frost's City nickname formance-related bonus of Teflon Tom" was mentioned £150,000. during the year-long Blue Ar-A company spokesman row trial at which he was a described the claim as "popdefence witness. The case

pycock". He confirmed that, under the terms of Mr Vallance's contract, the company chairman was entitled to a performance-related bonus of up to half his salary. However, he said the redundancies would take place in the next financial year and could not be linked to this

1989, that led to the court cases being opened. A further DTI report has been completed, but its publication date

has not yet been decided. Although the denials would appear to rule out any early action by the government, DTI officials are understood to be concerned about the discrepancies between evidence made available to the inspectors and information that in part emerged during the Blue Arrow trial. While the DTI report did not criticise Mr Frost, The Economist last week wrote that documents signed or hand-written by Mr Frost and relating to the attempt to rescue the rights issue were not made available to the inspectors.

Government officials are unhappy over the parts played by the Bank of England and NatWest, as they fear that they could undermine public confidence in the City's ability to police itself.



Witness for the defence: Tom Frost of NatWest

# tail liability insurance in America. If the KELM companies go

into liquidation, their creditors are likely to wait many years for a settlement because Cork Gully will be forced to retain most of the assets to meet any future claims. A scheme of arrangement would allow creditors to recover their money more

The shortfall at the KELM companies is being met by funds from the Policyholders' Protection Board, which raises funds through a levy on British insurance companies.

### Steetley battle heats up

BY OUR CITY STAFF

DIRECTORS of Steetley, the building materials group, are expected to make a statement today urging shareholders to continue to reject the £620 million bid from Redland.

Steetley is denying that it shareholders on the value of its French assets. Redland alleges that the group should have informed shareholders at an earlier date that it would be writing off £40 million following the revaluation of its French mineral reserves. Redland is expected to take the matter to the takeover panel.

"Steetley behaved properly," said a spokesman for the group. "It informed share-holders when the information became available to it."

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# London leads in M&A, says survey

BY OUR CITY STAFF

THE leading British and American investment banks employ 3,500 people on mer-gers and acquisitions work in Europe, with 65 per cent of them located in London, according to a survey published today by Acquisitions Monthly, the specialist mag-

azine.

Philip Healey, the magazine's publisher, said that the survey, which he claims is the first of its kind, was designed to establish a research base in order to gauge which investment houses have the largest commitment to the M&A market, to measure future growth, plot expansion into mainland Europe and judge

profitability in terms of deals per head.

The 21 banks included in the survey employ 2.100 pro-fessionally qualified M&A ex-ecutives, of which 1,500 are London-based. There were 610 staff employed at direc-tor-level, of which roughly two thirds are located in London. The average number of Euro-

pean deals per director con-cluded in 1991 was 1.24.

Mr Healey said: "Our fol-low-up survey in 12 months' time will enable us to measure the degree by which M&A has expanded or contracted and whether or not the emphasis has shifted from London to mainland Europe,"

# N Sea oil output 'to rise 40% by 1995'

BY MARYIN BARROW

NORTH Sea oil production will rise 40 per cent over the next three years, reaching a peak of 2.7 million barrels per day in 1995, according to a report by Arthur Andersen-Petroleum Services, published today.

The report also forecasts gas production, which reached record levels in 1991, will rise until 1998 and peak at 8.9 billion cubic feet per day, 70 per cent above the 1991 average.

Over the next three years, gas will account for 31 per cent of total UK production. From 1995, this proportion will increase, making up 40 per cent of UK output by the end of the decade. The report estimates that capital expenditure on field developments will total almost £18 billion over the next three years. State revenues, including royalties, petroleum revenue tax and corporation tax, are expected to be about £10 billion.

Eleven new offshore oil and gas fields will begin production in 1992, compared with only three in 1991. Ten field developments are likely to receive approval, against nine last year, with a further 17 possible candidates. Remaining UK reserves at the end of 1991 were 12.3 billion barrels of oil and 53 trillion cubic

# Lilley urged to encourage R&D

PETER Lilley, the trade secretary, has been told by a group of industrialists that the government should consider a more active policy on research and development to prevent British companies losing out in the single European

The call for government policy on R&D was made at a private dinner where Mr Lilley met five industrialists. including two senior managers from British Telecom and GPT, the telecommunications equipment maker, in a discussion that focused on the future of

research and development policy.

Mr Lilley is understood to have suggested that investors frequently do not understand the positive impact of R&D spending on the long-term growth of a company, and that part of the solution was to solve this problem. This view, however, was not charact by his others. however, was not shared by his guests.

who agreed that investors knew what they were doing. They said the country was lacking a policy to encourage R&D spending.
The need for more R&D spending was

highlighted last month in a report by the Working Group On Innovation, which was set up by the Prince of Wales. A report on the impact of R&D spend-ing was published last year by the Con-federation of British Industry and scitch, a management consultancy. This report concluded a company's growth in the long term was linked to its R&D spending.

Some of the industrialists favoured a

tax break to encourage R&D spending. while others proposed placing greater emphasis on helping universities built

recommendations of the Working Group on Innovation report, which called for technology centres to be established, aimed at bridging the gap between university research and industry's R&D requirements. Such centers would be modelled on Germany's Fraunhoffer institutes, which specialise in product and technology

While Mr Lilley appears not to be in favour of copying the German model, he announced last month a £2 million pilot scheme in co-operation with the education and science department, to help

bridge the gap.

Britain spends more on R&D than any other country in Europe, except Germany. R&D spending is especially high in some of Britain's best performance of the property of the performance of t up R&D institutes, which would work closely with industry.

This appears to be in line with the chemicals, food, drink and tobacco.

# Markets keep waiting in hope

COMMENT

The stock market is waiting: for tomorrow's Budget, for the election expected in a month's time and, having taken several rain checks already, for definite evidence of an economic recovery at some indefinite time this year. Not surprisingly, share prices have been marking time. For the last eight weeks, the FT-SE index has been trading, with unaccustomed sobriety, within a 2.4. per cent range between 2,510 and 2,570.

In domestic markets, the Budget will be judged almost entirely on its possible effect on the election. The City may not fear Labour greatly, but much prefers the Conservatives. Even in the foreign exchange markets, Labour is still seen as more likely to devalue sterling within the ERM. How far the stock market responds to the result of the election depends as much on the market-makers as on any reaction from investors. The index dropped about 300 points during the autumn, when Labour was gaining in the opinion polls and the government had to abandon any idea of a November election. Much of that, however, was due to disappointment that the predicted upturn from recession, which had helped boost the index 600 points earlier in the year, failed to materialise.

Politically sensitive utility stocks, now significant in the market, had a terrible time in the autumn, but many have since recovered relative to the index and would doubtless suffer an emotional drop on a Labour victory, even though the net impact on regulation is unclear. The election result may still not move the FT-SE index more than 200 points in either direction unless the result is peculiarly messy, for neither the Budget nor the choice of government is likely to change economic fundamentals. A study this weekend by James Capel notes that a Labour victory, against City expectations, would knock markets immediately, that it would reduce the generally predicted rise in share prices over the next year and that Labour economic policies might lead the economy on a different path in the medium term. Notably, however, James Capel would not significantly after its earnings per share forecasts.

ven if massive election bribes have been ruled. out, the Budget will increase the public sector: borrowing to the sort of level the City feared Labour might bring, but which has been made temporarily respectable, in modish post-ERM thinking, by the German deficit. Norman Lamont will also have stocked up gifts to please most constituencies, including business directly as well as the voters. Fiscal policy should eventually boost the economy by at least I per cent, but not soon enough to change economic forecasts much. The Chancellor's dearest aim will be to boost confidence. Ending election uncertainty should also help there, provided there is some stable government.

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# STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR

Confidence is significant, especially in the decisions of institutional investors with money still to spend. Investors must hope it is crucial, for the stock market may not have much else going for it. Recovery is likely to be slow. UBS Phillips & Drew expects a rise of 8 per cent in industrial profits reported for 1992 and 11 per cent for 1993, though financials would raise the overall 1992 gain to 16 per cent. On that basis shares sell at an average 13.7 times next year's expected earnings. That looks slightly more attactive on international comparisons. Dividends, however, are likely to grow slowly for several years, not least because of the impact of the ERM. Dividend cover is as low as in the recession ten years ago, without the potential for profit growth that unleashed. By contrast, the risk premium in dividend yields over index-linked gifts is only half a point, against 312 points then. Recovery then yielded a stock market boom even greater than the long economic boom. On both counts, prospects look less exciting when recovery comes this time.

ECONOMIC VIEW

# ANC casts tentative 'yes' vote for foreign capital in new South Africa

As part of its overall economic strategy, the ANC is drawing up a

blueprint for foreign investment, writes

Jon Ashworth

s white South Africans prepare to go to the polls a week tomorrow to decide the republic's future, the African National Congress is finalising an investment code that will guarantee rights for foreign

The code is only a straw in the wind, but an important one. What role the ANC will play in the future governance of South Africa is un-clear. The future position of foreign investors is merely a part of a whole new economic framework for the country that will have to be thrashed out as the nation's blacks are progressively given a voice in the running of the country. The framework is no more certain than the shape, political complexion and composition of future administrations. But the ANC is at last giving signals about its intentions towards foreign capital, which will be needed aplenty if the political and economic aspirations of the black communities are to be fulfilled.

In an interview with The Times, Max Sisulu, the ANC's director of economic affairs, said foreign investors would be allowed to repatriate some of their profits in return for creating jobs and bringing skills and resources into the region.

Mr Sisulu said: "We think it's important to talk to potential for-eign investors, to give them our perspective, to express any concerns that we have and also to appeal to them to contribute to our economic growth. We are prepared to sit down with foreign investors and even make certain guarantees about re-patriation of part of the profits." Mr Sisulu said investors would be

looking for an attractive political and economic environment and a predictable economic policy. To en-courage them, an ANC government would allow profits to be repatriated, in contrast to neighbours like Zimbabwe, but expected something IN TERRITA. TWE WILL WARK SOME OF THE profits to remain and flood into the country, and we also want foreign investors to concentrate on certain areas. We want them to come in where it is going to be productive, create work and create jobs."

The ANC economic team has drawn up its investment code with the assistance of the United Nations department of economic and social development. The document has to be fine-tuned, but spells out certain rights for foreign investors.
This is what the City, as well as

other leading financial centres that see great opportunity in the develop-ment of southern Africa, have been



Nationalisation would alienate foreign investors: Nelson Mandela, the ANC president

waiting for. There is tremendous interest in South Africa, but no one is going to invest without guarantees. On March 17, white South Africans will be asked to vote on President FW de Klerk's reforms. A vote of no confidence would have terrible implications. But a "yes" vote would strengthen Mr de Klerk's mandate and bring closer the goal of an interim black government.

With a "yes" vote behind them and an investment code from the ANC to dangle in front of financiers

'Nationalisation is not a problem for us, it is not a sacred cow

in Britain, Europe and America, prospects for new investment will be better than at any time in the past decade. But foreign investors have every reason to be sceptical.

The ANC has changed its mind on economic policy more times in the past two years than one can remember. Several different economists are working on future policy and often appear to be at odds. One ANC leader says one thing; another says the opposite.

While the ANC has done an excellent job portraying itself as a govern-ment-in-waiting, its future status is far from certain. There is talk of a Swiss-style federation with a Zulu "canton" in Natal, a Xhosa nation in the South-East, a separate Bophuthatswana, and even a white homeland for recalcitrant Afrika-

it will have an important say. One reason for the confusion is the ANC's concern with pluralism and its own internal structures. The whole process has to be participatory in order to be sustainable. Mr Sisulu said. "You've had expen ences in this country where the government has been moving from one

ners. The ANC's role in such a set-

up is unclear, but one must assume

position to another without any coherence, without any plan, without any strategy, without any vision. This has had terrible effects on the He has a point. South Africa is in its third year of recession, inflation is

running at 16 per cent and unem-Despite conflicting signals, the ANC is clear on one thing. It wants no new investment in South Africa until an interim government is in

place, and is opposed to South

African bond issues on the international capital markets, which it views as sanctions-busting.

Mr Sisulu said: "Until there is a

new form of government, until there's some kind of agreement on the constitution, we are opposed to any investment in South Africa or loans because these tend to strengthen the present illegitimate regime.

"Having said that, we recognise that foreign investment has played an important role in South Africa and elsewhere. We would welcome

'We will want some of the profits to flood into the country'

in the future foreign investment and would like to believe that foreign investment will contribute to economic growth as well as to increas-

ing the standards of the people." Mr Sisulu said he would like to see the republic develop as an exporter of manufactured goods rather than become a dumping ground for other countries. Fly-by-night investment was also out. Instead, the ANC is interested in companies that will come in, set up labour-intensive

needed, and pump some of their profits back into the communities.

Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, conceded last month that talk of nationalising key industries was certain to alienate foreign investors. Mr Sisulu said mass nationalisation had been ruled out. "Nationalisa-tion is not a problem for us, it is not a sacred cow. I don't see massive nationalisation going on. It is simply one of those options and one of the policy instruments for change. We are not opposed to privatisation."

However, this seemingly moder-

ate position on state control contrasts sharply with highly interventionist thinking elsewhere. There are tensions, if not contradictions, implicit here. The giant corporations that dominate the business scene — Barlow Rand, De Beers, Anglo American, Rembrandt, SA Breweries - will have to be broken up, the ANC says. How this can be done without exercising extensive state power is not clear.

or the owners of the companies that dominate South African business and the potential foreign investors standing by, the resolution of such issues is crucial. Would the present economic structure remain largely intact? "Yes and no," says Mr Sisulu enigmatically. "Ten per cent of the population own almost 90 per cent of the personal wealth in this country. A seventh of that 10 per cent contributes 60 per cent of the GDP.
One per cent of the companies listed on the JSE are black.

"So you have a minority within a minority controlling all the production, distribution and trade in this country. You have one conglomerate controlling everything — trade, housing, everything. We think that is not healthy for the economy.

"We are looking at anti-monopolylanti-trust legislation; we want

to see how it works elsewhere and how it can be applied in South Africa to break up the monopolies and to open up competition.

For some time, the ANC has talked of a mixed economy that will combine elements of a free market with a degree of state control. It is clear the ANC has much to do in translating generalities into policy. John Taylor, South Africa analyst

at James Capel, said there are grounds for cautious optimism. on faith that the ANC will implement a practical macroeconomic strategy. They will require explicit statements and commitments. Our hope is that the ANC will come up with sensible strategies simply because there is really no other

A blueprint for foreign investors is a great step forward. But in the end, when South Africa is under new management, it will take a handful of brave - or merely impetuous investors to set an example for others to follow. Only when others have had time to learn from their experiences will the floodgates open.

# THE TIMES

# Millham is

Streets ahead STREETS, the public relations firm, which suffered a setback when 43 of its key employees walked out at the end of 1987, will soon be back on the map in the City. David Millham, aged 53, one of the three founding part-ners of Shandwick, who was unceremoniously made redundant in December, after 27 years, has agreed to join Streets as executive deputy chairman. He will work alongside Keith Lewis, the chief executive, and spearhead a move into "the plc sector of PR". Millham, who insists that he is not bitter about his treatment by Shandwick - "but it did come as a bit of a shock," he says - claims that he simply wants to return to work after being forced to spend four months in limbo. His arrival at Streets is, he adds, no laughing matter, even though his starting date is April 1. He admits, however, that the job will have its lighter moments. He and Lewis, after all, worked together before. In 1962, when Lewis was 16 and Millham eight years older, they were both employed in the prices room at the Financial Times. Millham progressed to better things - he moved to The Times as the new issues

#### Born to the job

THE Laganside Corporation, which is redeveloping central Belfast's riverside districts, has appointed, as its river manager, the aptly named Derek Weir, a civil engineer. Weir, charged with



'Who do you intend to vote for in the. national lottery?"

masterminding the development of the hitherto neglected Lagan as a leisure amenity, as well as drafting protective by-laws and monitoring its water quality, will also be responsible for commissioning the EII million weir that is under construction and that will, from October, maintain a constant level over what are, at present, stretches of inter-tidal mud.

#### Drawing near

WITH less than a month to go before the Grand National on April 4, the annual stock exchange draw, organised by the Dramatic & Operatic Society, is underway. As in previous years, the first prize is likely to be about £24,000, representing 40 per cent of the total take - limited to a maximum of £60,000. The second prize will represent 20 per cent, the third prize 10 per cent and the fourth prize 5 per cent. Of the remainder, 15 per cent will be divided among the other runners, and 10 per cent will go to the dramatic and operatic associ-

ation's jubilee charity fund. "We will accept members cheques only, no cash, and the lists will close on Wednesday," says Roy Phillips, of Garban Equities, the interdealer broker. The fund's office is Box A5, London Stock Exchange, morton Street.

#### On the move

DAVID Cheesewright, the fourth of five brothers, all of whom once worked in the City, started work at Fiske & Co last week, after a two-year stint with Keith Bayley Rog-ers. Cheesewright, aged 45. once a market-maker on the property book for Akroyd & Smithers, says the move was inspired by the geographical location of Fiske's offices, in Salisbury House, London Wall. His daily journey from his Essex home has been reduced by 25 minutes each way. since Keith Bayley Rogers is situated in Borough High Street, south of the Thames. Only one brother. Alan, still works in the Square

### Viney recruited

CLAIMING that he is disillusioned with stockbroking after a 27-year career and that he did not know how else to utilise his contacts, Nigel Viney, ex-Simon & Coates and, until ten days ago, with Brewin Dolphin, has become a recruitment consultant. Viney, aged 44, has joined Elizabeth Sullivan at the Hop Exchange, Southwark Street: 'It has always been my ambition to work for a woman." declares Viney, bravely. "I am completely awestruck."

## BUSINESS ETTERS Trading jobs for minimum pay

#### From the Secretary of State

Sir, The Business News section of The Times (March 5) reported the CBI's analysis of Labour's minimum wage proposals. The report noted that the policy's implications for both business costs and levels of employment were crucially dependent on the extent to which pay differentials were restored. However, the Comment column ignored the way in which the restoration of differentials would determine the scale of the damage that a minimum wage would undoubtedly cause. As a result, it referred to the CBI's estimates as

being "oddly precise". An examination of the CBI's report on this subject shows that, in common with other experts, the CBI emphasise the importance of the knock-on effects of introducing à minimum wage. If differentials were restored in full, the CBI calculated that the total increase in employers' costs "could run as high as £50 billion a year, equivalent to the average pay costs of over 3 million workers". In the unlikely event of there being no attempt to restore

"the damage to competitive-ness would be very great" even if the adverse impact of the minimum wage was restricted in this way. I should add that the CBI paper continued by saying that a minimum wage would not be an effective way of

differentials, the number of

job losses would - according

to the CBI - amount to

150,000, and the increased

costs to around £2.5 billion.

As the CBI's paper points out,

tackling low pay. The loss of both competitiveness and jobs would, therefore, be en-Yours faithfully, MICHAEL HOWARD,

House of Commons, SW1. From Mrs F. M. Barger

Sir, When the CBI state that minimum wages will cost £2.5 billion a year, they are saying that the workers of this country are grossly underpaid to the tune of that sum. Perhaps a little trimming at the top would help employers to pay a proper wage to the

workers at the bottom. Yours faithfully, F. M. BARGER, 68 South Hill Park,

All power to a viable British coal industry

#### From Marcelle Hirst

Sir, Mr FG de L Rutherford (Business letters March 3) condemns your correspondent Mr Potter for advocating that PowerGen should import cheaper coal and not buy British, in order to produce cheaper power. This may be so. However, I would prefer to believe the

coal industry is essential for the electricity industry.

As a shareholder in Power-Gen I would prefer it did not hasten the demise of the British coal industry at present, but take a longer-term look at the free market!

Yours faithfully, MARCELLE HIRST, Prospect House. view of Mr Neil Clarke, chairman of British Coal, that longer term a viable British

### Mr Speaker, I shall begin with a review of the

On Tuesday afternoon Norman Lamont delivers his pre-election

economic situation and prospects. I shall then deal

budget speech. Find out what it means for interest rates, exchange with monetary policy and the public finances. rates, the economy, your business and you. As the Chancellor rises Finally, I will present my tax proposals. I have to his feet call up Reuters Pages <u>RBSA-B</u>, and watch The Royal Bank sought to address a number of the concerns of Scotland's Treasury and Capital Markets team provide instant put to me and to carry forward tax reform analysis and in-depth interpretation as the Budget unfolds. initiated by my predecessors. The measures I have Knowledge, experience, expertise. It's all yours at the touch of a announced meet the three main requirements key. Up-to-the-minute information and informed comment from

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to raise

£500m

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON

IN NEW YORK

OLYMPIA & York Develop-

ments, the private Canadian

property group building London's E3 billion Canary

Wharf project, is set to raise almost C\$1 billion (£500 mil-

lion) in cash following an

increase in the risk rating of

some of its short-term credit. .)

GW Utilities, an energy

group controlled by O&Y, is

selling its 63.5 per cent of

Interprovincial Pipe Line for

a gross C\$655 million and is

in active negotiations to sell

its 41 per cent in Home Oil

Company, estimated to be

It is unclear how much of

the proceeds from the sale of GW Utilities' shareholding will go directly to O&Y. GW

plans to pay a C\$4.50 a share dividend after the offering of

its stake in Interprovincial

Pipe Line which would give

GW will receive the pro-

eeds in two traunches,

C\$378 million by the end of

this month and the balance in

The fundraising comes

after O&Y redemption of

some C\$240 million of com-

mercial paper in the last for-night. A further C\$260 million will be bought back

within the next three months.

commercial paper issue re-

mains unaffected and its

credit rating has not been

A spokesman for O&Y said

vesterday: "O&Y is current on

all its obligations and expects

to remain so. There was a lot

of concern exhibited this

week by investors about this commercial paper issue and that concern was brought

about by the Dominion bond

rating report downgrade:

and as a result O&Y is going

to wind down the

"We will be funding from

other corporate resources and I don't think O&Y will specifi-

cally identify what those re-sources are," the spokesman

A separate C\$300 million

worth C\$243 million.

O&Y C\$158 million.

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### **UK firms** stand up well to credit scrutiny

IN SPITE of the relentless pounding of the recession, the credit quality of rated British companies stood up fairly well last year. Only seven British companies rated by Standard & Poor's (S&P) had their ratings lowered last year, although plenty of British companies not rated by the agency, notably Maxwell Communications, suffered declines in credit quality.

The downgrades were on short-term debt of Asda, Burton, Rank Organisation and Slough Estates; on the longterm debt of Forte and J Sainsbury, and on the preferred stock of Rank and

One British company, Cadbury Schweppes, saw its debt upgraded. Another five continental companies - Fiat, Olivetti, Philips, Rautaruukki Oy and SKF — were also downgraded. In total, 15 per cent of the European com-panies rated by S&P, of which the majority are British or Swedish, were downgraded.

According to S&P, the relative stability of the ratings of British and continental debt issuers was in part due to the fact that the majority of rated European issuers tend to be higher quality credits than

typical American issuers.
The median rating for a European issuer is A. com-pared with BB in America. European-rated companies, so the argument goes, tend to be multinationals and are therefore inherently more stable than many large American companies dependent on the American market.

Another reason behind the relative stability of European ratings has been the limited amount of major debt-funded financial restructuring that took place during the Eighties compared with America. where entire sectors suffered massive declines in credit quality through recapitalisations and leveraged

buyouts. Where sensible financial structures have prevailed. most companies have generally been able to retain their

Says S&P: "Ratings are decredit worthiness through normal business cycles. Wellmanaged companies with strong operating positions and financial profiles generally weather recessions with their ratings intact."

Clearly, in Britain, the sector that has undergone the greatest decline in credit quality is retail, with two of Britain's biggest supermarket groups and two of its largest high street chains being

downgraded. For Europe as a whole, S&P sees the car manufacturing, property, construction, steel and electronics sectors coming under the most pressure this year, as previously protected domestic markets are exposed to competition through the removal of market barriers within the European Community.

JONATHAN PRYNN

### REPORTING THIS WEEK

# United Biscuits expected to rise

ANNUAL profits from Uni-ted Biscuits are expected to show a modest rise when they are announced on Thursday despite the recession and stiff competition in the UK.

David Atkinson, at County NatWest, expects pre-tax profits at the world's secondlargest biscuits group to rise to £206 million, against £197.7 million. Market forecasts range from £205 million to £210 million. County expects earnings per share of 28.2p (27.6p), with a dividend of 14.9p (14.4p).

UB, headed by Bob Clarke,

will have had a mixed year, the overseas businesses having performed better than those in Britain, which accounts for a little over 50 per cent of sales and about 65 per cent of profits, Aggressive cost-cutting in UB's McVi-tie's biscuit business will have enabled it to weather the recession, but the group is likely only to have maintained sales volumes in a British biscuit market that was up about 2 per cent in 1991.

which includes the KP brands and is Europe's number one snacks group, will have traded better in continental Europe than in the UK. However, the recession on both sides of the Atlantic will have meant trading down to lower-margin products, both in KP's business in the

UK and Keebler in America. Ross Young's, UB's British frozen and chilled foods unit, is likely to see a slight fall in trading profits, due to some down-trading to own-label products from branded lines and difficult conditions in the recession-hit catering market. However, benefits from restructuring should start to come through in 1992 and help profits advance. Mr Atkinson sees "a better level of growth in 1992".

#### TODAY

Analysts expect BBA Group the automotive, industrial and aviation group, to report final profits of between £48 million and £52 million (£75.1 million).



Upbeat note: Bob Clarke's United Biscuits is tipped to advance despite the effects of recession

Polypipe, the acquisitive plastic pipes and garden fur-niture group, is likely to report first-half profits of between £5 million and £5.5

Interims: Ciose Brothers Group, Cornwell Parker, Mucklow (A & J) Group, Pict Petroleum, Polypipe, Thorntons. Finals: BBA Group, Calderburn, Candover Investments, Consolidated Venture Trust, Fairay Group, Fife Indmar, Greggs, Merchants Trust, Parking Foods, Persimmon. Ransomes, Sumit, Takare, Transport Development Group, USDC Investment Trust.

#### TOMORROW

Glynwed International, the Midlands engineering and industrial products group, which is seen by many as a barometer of the engineering sector, is expected to see final profits slump from £75.1 million to £26.2 million in very tough" trading conditions, according to Chris Avery at Smith New Court. Market forecasts range from £22 million to £27 million.

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Economic statistics: Production price index numbers (February – provisional); International banking statistics (fourth quarter; isbour force survey (1991), workforce in employment: revisions to third quarter (whole sconomy) and to December 1991 (production).

#### WEDNESDAY

BTR, the industrial conglomerate that last year won control of the Hawker Siddeley engineering group after a fierce £1.5 billion takeover battle, is expected to show a decline in final profits, although the City's attention will be on the outlook.

Charles Pick, at Nomura, expects BTR to announce profits of £900 million, down from £966 million last time. Market forecasts range from £884 million to £920 million. Mr Pick is looking for earnings per share of 29.1p (31.8p) and a dividend of 16.5p (15.75p).

Annual profits at Hills-down Holdings, the diversi-fied food manufacturing group, are expected to slip to £185 million (£191.2 million), according to UBS Phillips & Drew. Market forecasts range from £182 million to £185 million.

Standard Chartered, the international banking group, is expected to report final profits of £204 million, against £150 million last time, according to Morgan

Stanley. Market forecasts

range from £180 million to

£220 million. Buoyant condi-

tions in the Asia-Pacific re-

gion should offset the more depressed conditions gripping Britain and other parts of Europe. Charles Coyne, at Credit Lyonnais Laing, expects Wil-lis Corroon, the insurance broker, to announce final profits of £98 million (£81.7

million), although City atten-tion will focus on the size of any fourth-quarter extraordinary provision relating to Sovereign, the underwriting

Interims: Everest Foods, Gent (SR). Finals: Aegis Group, Aga, Ansbacher (Henry) Holdings, ETR, BWD Securities, Grosvenor Development Capital, Hillsdown Holdings, Kleinwort Smaller Companies Investment Trust, Nichols (JN) (Vimto), North Midland Construction, Novo-Nordisk AS, Second Market Investment Company, Simon En-

Stora Kopparbergs Bergslags AB, T&N, Whitegate Lelsure

#### THURSDAY - ...

Worldwide recessionary pressures on volumes and weak mineral prices will have affected RTZ, the world's larglected K12, the world's targe-est mining group. Nomura is looking for net income of 5320 million (£507 million), with earnings per share of 32.4p (51.4p) and a main-tained dividend of 19.5p.

Smith New Court expects TI Group, the engineering group, to make full-year profits of £110 million (£128.4 million). Market forecasts range from £100 million to £110 million. Some areas should have been quite resilient to the recession despite the group's exposure to the automotive and white goods

Graham Bell, at Credit Lyonnais Laing, expects low-er oil prices and higher oper-ating costs at Enterprise Oil to result in a fall in net income to £108 million (£156.5 million). Market forecasts range from £105 million to £120 million. However, Mr Bell Is looking for a dividend of 16.25p (15p).

Interime: Coronation Syndicate, Ex-Lands, Sirdar, Tweefontein United Colleries. Finals: Abbeycrest, Abbott Mead Vickers, Baynes (Charles), Beradin Holdings, Blagden Industries, Clarke (T), Edmond Holdings, EFT Group, Erness, Enterprise Oil, Evered Bardon, Hall Engineering (Holdings), Jones (A) & Sons, Kode International, Legal & General Group, Padang Senang Holdings, RTZ Corporation, Thomton Pan-European Investment Trust, Ti Group, United Blaculta (Holdings).

Economic statistics: CBI survey of distributive trades (February); provisional figures of vehicle production (February); capital issues and redemptions (February).

#### FRIDAY

interima: Headway, Walker (Thomas). Finale: Global Group, Kerry Group, Lax Bervice. Economic statistics: Usable steel production (February); construction output (fourth quar-ter — provisional).

PHILIP PANGALOS

# **Disney to** give up attractions

FROM REUTER IN BURBANK

WALT Disney plans to stop operating the Queen Mary ship and Spruce Goose aeroplane attractions in Long Beach, California.

WCO Port Properties, a Disney subsidiary, will end its lease for operating the attractions, which was acquired as part of its 1988 purchase of

the Wrather Corporation.

Disney said: "The Queen Mary has not been a profitable operation as a tourist attraction .'

Last December, Disney scrapped plans for a pro-posed sea theme park in Long Beach, which would have been linked to the Queen Mary and the Spruce Goose,

wooden aeroplane.
Disney will continue to is operate the attractions until the end of September.

which was Howard Hughes'

# Holiday firms set trend in new company contest

LAST year was hardly a vin-tage year for new issues but Harrington Kilbride, the specialist publisher led by there are five strong candidates for the new company of the year category in the forthcoming Coopers Deloitte PLC awards, held in association with The Times.

Eurocamp, the camping holiday operator once part of Next, took the plunge in July. Offered at 225p, the shares attracted healthy support, with 85.2 per cent of the issue taken up.

Investors have not been disappointed. The shares have climbed to 310p and pre-tax profits are expected to be £9.4 million (£8.16 million) this year. The company, led by Richard Atkinson, believes it will enjoy continued growth in Europe and benefit from the Channel tunnel.

Airbreak also benefited from resilient demand for holidays despite the reces-



sion. This fast-growing tour operator made its debut on the Unlisted Securities Market in August at 25p via a lowkey placing. The shares have risen to 54p, encouraged by good prospects, Champion Group taking a stake of 19 per cent, and a joint venture with Goldcrest Aviation. Also on the shortlist is Front

Group, the petrol retailer that made history by being refloated out of the collapsed Norfolk House Group by the receivers. The offer was oversubscribed and allocations were scaled down. The shares have performed well, rising from the issue price of 235p to 329p. Profits are expected to more than double in 1992 to £5.3 million before tax.

INVESTORS' minds are now firmly focused on the

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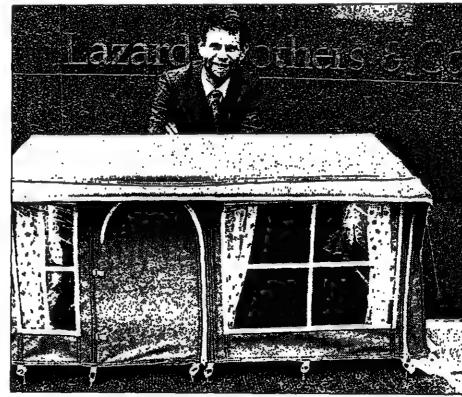
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Ted Croker, has made steady progress since December's placing. The shares have advanced from 120p to 148p despite the fact that the offer price was considered to value he company fully.

The final candidate is Clarke Foods, the ice-cream manufacturer formerly Yelverton investments, which was restructured after the acquisition of three ice-cream companies from Hillsdown Holdings in February 1991. This was followed in January 1992 by the £12 million purchase of the Lyons Maid ice-cream business from Allied-Lyons, partly financed via a £6.8 million rights issue. The shares are now worth 130p, against 39p when Yelverton was suspended before the

MARTIN BARROW



Weathering the recession: Richard Atkinson, Eurocamp managing director

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# Long-term outlook brightens

in opinion polls are starting to have a marked effect on sentiment in the gilts mar-Since their first publication. ket, as investors worry about THE MEDDLE FAST the Times Guides have set the possibility of a change of government. With the two the standards by which all main parties still apparently running neck and neck in the polls, this uncertainty seems set to continue until successful political and economic guides are measured. polling day and possibly

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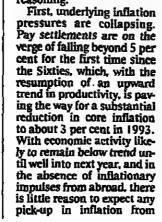
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this level for some time thereafter. The recession has been deep and prolonged enough to secure, at one attempt, inflation con-vergence with the rest of the European Community.
The second favourable in-

fluence on the gilts market is the solid commitment by the main parties to the ERM. Both Labour and the Conservatives have given a pledge to maintain the central sterling parity of DM2.95. While any policy is open to reconsideration

heavy supply of gilts in the next financial year and be-yond, which the Chancellor's tax cuts tomorrow will boost. But this need not 'It seems unlikely either party would

want to jeopardise the credibility of the exchange-rate commitment'

once the election is over, it seems unlikely either party would willingly jeopardise the credibility of the exchange-rate commitment that has been painstakingly built up over the past 18 months. Provided this commitment is maintained after the election, and demonstrated by strong words, in-tervention and, if necessary, higher short-term interest rates, as I believe it will. international investors will soon go back to comparing gilt yields with yields in oth-

prove much of a negative for the gilts market. Inside the ERM, the effects of an increase in the supply of gilts will tend to be dissipated throughout Europe rather than felt only in Britain. Any increase in gilt yields is therefore likely to be very small unless it is perceived to increase the risk of currency weakness, which seems unlikely.

er ERM countries. Given

the prospective inflation im-

provement and relatively

small exchange rate risk, it

is difficult to justify a spread between British and Ger-

man bond yields of more

than 100 basis points, and certainly not as high as the

160-point gap seen last

Admittedly, there will be a

So why is political uncertainty proving so important?
The answer is that until the victor has taken up the reins

of government, there can be no certainty about how it will act. Ultimately, the spread between gilt yields and other European bond yields will depend on the perceived strength of the ment to the existing exchange rate parities against other ERM members. Short-term uncertainty

about Labour's commit-ment to the ERM, for example, could certainly take spreads higher and it is possible that an outright Labour victory could see the spread widen to 190-200 basis points. The rise in yields could be even higher in the event of a Labour minority government because of the temptation to throw caution to the winds in an attempt to court popularity.

However, in the event of any additional political risk premium emerging, this should be seen as a mediumterm buying opportunity for gilts. With the main trend in German bond yields also likely to be moderately downwards over the next year, ten-year gilt yields should be significantly lower than present levels under any government on a 12-18

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# A triumph for organisation and consistency



Moore: redoubtable

seem more spectacular than in its making on the day. The pride of the Englishmen who have made the last two seasons a special period for their country in rugby union will, however, be no less enduring just because their eighth consecutive five nations' victory was not itself

special. An eminent colleague from the Principality — with whom I would never have wished physically to collide head-on during his interna-tional career — had said beforehand that anything short of a 20-point English

HISTORY in the reading in years to come will maybe triumph. For nine-tenths of the match, it seemed that was the way it would be: ragged but gritty, plucky Wales making it — with some help from the Scottish referee - a predominantly scruffy and forgettable

> match. If England were playing for some indelible, inscribed, monumental pride, the Welsh were playing for the more simple, direct pride of being able, tomor-row, next week, to look a compatriot straight in the eye without embarrassment. That Wales to a degree succeeded was to their cred-

tricks of the trade, learned In

the Welsh school of hard

knocks with which English sides have been notoriously

upset over the years; loitering

in offside positions, slowing

delivery of the ball at ruck or

maul, if not actively taking

advantage of uncharacteristic

English mistakes in the

Quick ball, Carling sighed,

was the key. He might have added that if possession

comes so slowly, then it is not worth the backs' while trying

to turn it into gold. Morris.

whose tactical approach was not at its best, had to ferret so

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it: they had not come to Twickenham politely to play courtier to the king. You could recognise that when you saw Copsey, the Llanelli lock, rattling his studs down the vertebrae of some prostrate white shirt.

Because the day was something of an anti-climax - two grunt 'n' shove tries by forwards following a slightly farcical first-minute gift to Carling, and with comparatively little coherent running by England's backs — this double grand slam must be remembered for its overall consistency, its organised, methodical reliability. Here was a group of players that, not changed that much, might have made it three consecutive grand slams but for an aberration at Murrayfield two years

Yet the claim should be tempered by reality. This season, England fell short in the World Cup and have defeated comparatively poor Irish and Welsh sides, a French team (twice) that is in marked decline, and a solid Scots XV.

Is that, it has to be asked, the hallmark of greatness? I suspect not. It is, by the

estimation of some of the most discerning judges, as doubtable hooker and prop: most discerning judges, as good an English team as anyone can remember better, some say, than Beaumont's 12 years ago - but it is not being hailed for the unparalleled quality of its

To say this, at the moment of triumph, might seem carping. No team can do more than beat its contempotaries. Carling, beginning to look fully mature on Saturday, and Guscott are, certainly, excellent centres: Underwood, when he gets the chance, is a thrilling winger: Andrew is one of the steadiest stand-offs ever; Dooley, Winterbottom and Richards among the best of their kind.

Yet they are not exceptional in the manner of, say. Welsh heroes of the relative recent past, Bennett, JPR, Gareth Edwards or Barry John. When you watched John, there was an awareness of witnessing something you might never see

Moreover, if we are discussing greatness, it is nine years since England beat New Zealand and four since they beat Australia. The yardstick in rugby union —

given the nature of the fixture list - tends to be short measure. Some of the intensity and pleasure of rugby comes from its parochialism. from the fact that the sum total of current, important, international European players is little more than contained in a single big. intimate club.

It is that mood, of course, that makes a visit as a spectator to Murrayfield, the Arms Park, Lansdowne Road, Parc des Princes or Twickenham so warmly clubbable, whatever the rivalries. Within that context, yes. England are a great

History books will look back kindly at the back-to-back grand slams achieved by Will Carling's team

# England fail to sign off in grand manner

England .... Wales .....

By DAVID HANDS RUCHY CORRESPONDENT

GRAND slam achieved, but not in the grand manner. Nonetheless, the history books will provide satisfactory reading for this English team when, in years to come, it dusts off the statistics and recalls the games it won in 1991 and 1992 to record the first back-to-back grand slams of the modern era and England's tenth in all.

in the 68 years since Wavell Wakefield's England did likewise, there have been, even by the introspective standards of the five nations' championship, some outstanding teams, most of them Welsh or French. That they failed to match what England have done, even at times when the opposition was not of the highest order, is a commentary on the achievements of Will Carling's team and the nagging difficulties presented by the championship itself.

It is unlike any other championship in the world of rugby, partly because the sucother sides of radically different capabilities and outlook and partly, for England, because of what Brian Moore describes as the "emotional baggage" the other countries carry with them, which is wrapped up in history and brought out at times of sport-ing confrontation. No other country, not New Zealand, not Australia, has to carry

history on its shoulders. England looked to sweep triumphantly off the Twick-enham stage on Saturday, to write with a flourish the autograph of outstanding players like Underwood. Winterbottom and Dooley who we are unlikely to see again. In-stead, in beating Wales in the British Gas Challenge match by three goals and two penalty goals to nil - the first time either country has failed to score since the 0-0 draw of 1962 — the rugby came out like a poorly-typed letter, the author banging too hard on

Classic matches do not occur to order. Wales, as they had said beforehand, were not merely making up the numbers at a celebration. Alan Davies, their coach, has built his sides on defence while not forgetting all the

REMAINING MATCHES: March 21:

England 47min, Wales 28

the English record of 90 in 1990.
Jonathan Webb scored 67 of those
points (three tries, 11 conversions, 11
penalties) to pass Simon Hodg-
kinson's 1991 chemplonship record of
kinson's 1991 chemplonetrip record of 60. Webb is the leading English points
scorer with 245 from 27 matches,
passing Dusty Hare's 240 from 25.
Rory Underwood's International
pareer ands with 35 tries from 55
matches. He is the most-sepped
England player, followed by Peter
Winterbottom (52) and Wade Dooley
(50).
This was the first time since 1978
that Water have finised to score a try at

MATCH FACTS OF LESS



Driving force: Dooley launches the burst that brought him a popular try at Twickenham on Saturday

so frustrated did the players become that there were three touchline interventions and the rare sight of England being sent back 10 metres for verbal dissension.

By the interval, when Eng-land had scored 15 points, championship records had already gone. Skinner's try erased the team aggregate of 102, Webb's first penalty erased Simon Hodgkinson's and Dusty Hare's records. Wales had been limited to two missed penalties by Jenkins and an inaccurate dropped

goal by Stephens, three of a score. But it was Dooley whose drop-outs or kick-offs (who led the team out on his went inexcusably into touch. fiftieth appearance) who Clement left the field at brought tears to eyes, by half-time after a blow to his plunging over from Andrew's inside break. nose and Rayer came on for

Webb signed off with a point-blank penalty after Carhis first championship ap-pearance, his tackle denying Underwood his best chance ling's departure with a "dead of a longed-for try after the England wing had finally got round Evans. The 60,000 crowd paid its own tribute to leg". The crowd urged Andrew, the acting captain, to run the kick, deep in injury time; but there are no roman-Underwood when it chanted tics in this team. England do his name in the final stages, not believe in fairy tales any in the hope that he could end more. Instead, they have crehis international career with ated their own legends.

Without Double ( ) Proposed ( )

A penalty goal from Dominguez was Italy's only score in the second half, as England picked up splendid tries from Hunter and Scully. SCORERS: Italy B: Try: Croc. Dropped goal: Dominguez. Penalty goal

# almost equally divided, and Fresh challenges may be tonic for ailing perspective

ing retirement would be wise to heed Geoff Cooke's advice and to wait until they smell the wintergreen and the mown grass in the autumn before coming to their decision. This moment, at the end of a tiring campaign, is no time to decide.

Timing, and a clear head, is of the essence if the players are not to live in regret. After all. South Africa await them and that represents a differ-

have become so easily accustomed to in the five nations' championship.

England's next step, with or without these players, will be an interesting one. Hitherto, season upon season in the last four, they have made progress one way or another from the previous one.

There was, however, a hint at Twickenham on Saturday that they might be taking themselves and their grand SERAID DAVIES

in the final tackle.

Moments of magic were

rare. The continuity flickered and died, amid a succession

of handling errors, injuries

and Ray Megson's obsession

with the scrums, of which

there would have been con-

siderably fewer if he had let

ball clearly won emerge even

if the front rows were dip-

ping. The match contained 39 penalties or free kicks.

reputation too seriously and looked, despite their protestations to the contrary, as if they had come to believe that they only needed to turn up to win. Perhaps they should not be blamed. Scoring in the first minute gave some reality to the thought. And to score

another six points soon after

gave it an even firmer imprimatur.

It was unfortunate they wavered. They could not play as they would have wished, they said afterwards, because Wales had denied them the quick ball they needed. Lest they forget, it is what

opposition is meant to do; unopposed rugby is for the practice field. For the first time, this sounded like an excuse. They seemed to make more mistakes in this one game than they have done for the past two seasons.

They began to argue. Their discipline and control, strong points in this England team's favour, were not what they had been. They began to view Wales as an irritation to their plans and not as respected

opposition. They even, on occasions, indicated they might know better than the referee. Confidence was turning to hubris. self-assurance to haughtiness. It is not a mood they should encourage for the future.

from their purpose and did not get the kind of victory they would have liked.

Alan Davies, the Welsh coach, must not be deflected from his purpose. There will be mounting pressure upon him to get Wales to win in the short term. But he will have to stick to his course, which is success in the long term. However, he must consider when he can afford to make changes.

talent available to him, would he achieve anything by changing the team to play Scotland at Cardiff in two weeks' time? Or would he achieve more by riding out the season and remaining loyal to his team?

Sooner or later, though, he must decide whether he can afford to have Stephens at stand-off half and to have another stand-off half, Jenkins, at centre.



WHO WAS THE ENERGY BEHIND ENGLAND AND WALES ON MARCH 7th 1992?

THE BRITISH GAS CHALLENGE ENGLAND v WALES TWICKENHAM MARCH 7th 1992



**Defiant** display is run by **Barnes** 

England B..... 16

FROM BRYAN STILES IN ROME

MOST of the England players here can start making travel plans for the B tour o New Zealand in June, after achieving a fine grand slam with this defiant victory in the Flaminio stadium on

The forwards in particular could be forgiven for having sported their snazzy multicoloured grand-slam bow ties at a jaunty angle when they went out on the town to cele brate, after the way they soaked up all the punishment from the boots and fists of their indisciplined hosts.

Italy fielded their leading players and hung a B label around their necks. It was a ploy that fooled nobody. Their attempts at intimidation failed too. The England players simply turned the other cheek and reaped the re-ward of a victory by a goal, a try and two penalties to a try and two penalties, to add to those they picked up against Spain, Ireland and France.

Giovanelli, the flanker enjoying his international rugby in the middle of a five-week ban at club level for stamp-ing, demonstrated his lowgrade craft in the first minute by planting his stude on a

trapped England player. Robert Yeman, the Welsh referee, gave him a lecture, but the provocation continued with the Italian touch judges failing to flag for even blatant incidents. Yeman will be making a case in his match report for the use of neutral touch judges.

In a pack that has steadily improved since January, Clarke demonstrated that he is equipped to pull on the national No. 8 jersey. Back had another storming game, securing the ball where the boots were flying the thickest.

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With Barnes pulling the strings, England had an edge that was crucial. He kicked two penalties in reply to a try by Croci and a dropped goal and a penalty from Dominguez which made it 7-6 to Italy at half-time.

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RUGBY UNION

# France fail yet regain their dignity and pride

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BY ALAN LORIMER

AFTER the events in Paris just over three weeks ago, Pierre Berbizier, the French coach, was understandably relieved when he said in his post-match comments: "Getting back our confidence was at least one victory."

But while it was important that France, with a disciplined performance on Saturday, regained their dignity, winning at Murrayfield cluded them yet again. It is now 14 years since they have experienced success at Scotland's

international ground. For David Sole, captaining the Scotland side for the last time at Murrayfield, and Derek White, making a record 28th appearance at No. 8, victory was a perfect farewell, even if the manner of winning fell short of the home crowd's hopes of an exciting speciacle due largely to the uninterrupted rain that

made handling treacherous.

Andy Nicol, Craig Chalmers, Rob Wainwright and Iwan Tukalo made priceless contributions in defence for Scotland and, behind them, Gavin Hastings put in another solid performance at full back

"It was all about basic courage. Our players showed a lot of that," Sole said. "We came through a difficult middle period to put pressure on

Accepting that the Scotland defence was nothing short of first class, Berbizier was nevertheless unhappy about the performance of his team in attack.

"Rarely have I seen a French team win so much

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# Geoghegan to miss New Zealand tour

SIMON Geoghegan, the London Irish wing, is one of seven players who have declared their unavailability for Ireland's tour to New Zealand in May. Geoghegan, a law student, cannot afford the time away, which will be disappointing for a side already without this season's captain. Philip Matthews, as well as Mullin, O'Hara, Crossaft,

Lenihan and Keyes.

Matthews, afflicted by a knee injury, has been re-placed in the XV to play France in Paris on March 21 by the uncapped Paul Hogan, who is one of two new caps and four changes from the side beaten 18-10 by Scotland; the other newcomer is Derek McAleese, of Bally-mena, at stand-off half, while the captaincy passes to Philip

Five nations' championship ENGLAND 24 WALES

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Danaher, the first Garryowen

Francis, Staples and Leaby, leaving Ireland with only three forwards — Smith. Popplewell and Robinson from the team that lost to Australia in the World Cup last October. Brian Rigney returns to the second row and David Curtis resumes after Mullin's retirement 🗼 .

Mullin's retirement.

RELAND: K J Murphy (Cork Constitution); R M Whites (Semyowen), D M Curlis (London Irish), P P A Deneiter (Carnyowen, cactain), S P Gaoghegm (London Irish); D R McAleses (Bellymens), L F P Aharme (Laractowne); N J Poppleses (Carnyowene), B J Scalin (Bellymens), G F Halpin (London Irish), P Hopes (Carnyowen), B J Rigney (Greystones), M J Registron), M J Registron, M J Registron, Ballymens), Replacementer V J G Carnitogiam (St Marcy College), R P Keyes (Cork Carellitation), R Seanciers (London Irish), D C Rizgensid (ULSP), T J Kingston (Colphin), P J Lewistr (Bective Sangers).

player to lead Ireland. Injuries have removed

he said. "There were overall problems with our backline, particularly in their tactical Much of Scotland's success

was at the lineout, the area from which they scored the only try of the match after

Gavin Hastings, from a blind side move, kicked cleverly to force a Scotland throwin two metres from the French line and Ken Milns threw low and flat to Neil

Taking a clean catch, the Harlequin found instant sup-port from his forward col-leagues and was driven over for the try.

Lafond soon recovered French spirits, with a penalty from near the touchline, but he failed with two kicks before haif-time and one early in the second period as France dominated. Yet he regained his form to put his side into the lead with his second successions.

Scotland responded immediately by pressuring the French to win a penalty. Hastings's kick restored the lead and the big full back made sure of victory with his second penalty goal eight minutes before full time.

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Long time coming: Tom Watson with the trophy he won yesterday at the Hong Kong open golf championship. It was his first title for four and a half years, during which time he has battled to overcome the yips.

A far from accomplished 74, three over year extract Matters the

three over par, earned Watson the victory by three strokes from the Northern : Irishman, Ronan

Watson, whose last victory was in the 1987 San Antonio open champ-ionship, said: "It was a struggle, but if feels great to win. I have not had this feeling in five years."

The five-times British Open champion missed short hirdie putts on the second and third holes and said he started to play defensively from then on. "The yips got me later in the round," he said. "I could not get a good feeling with my putter. That has been my nemesis for the last three or four years. The nerves just would not let me sort out the problems with the short putts

Rafferty, runner-up for the third time this year, got to within two strokes of Watson after the American bogeyed the 14th, but could not sustain the pressure. "If I had hit a decent shot at the 15th, I would have had him." Rafferty said.

# Ballesteros refuses to waver

SEVERIANO Ballesteros came from four strokes behind with four holes to play in the Balearic Open in Majorca yesterday to force a play-off with Jesper Parnevik, of Sweden, which he won after six extra holes.

Ballesteros won his sec-ond play-off of the season when Parnevik, who was trying for his first victory on the European Tour, missed a six-foot putt on their sev-enth visit of the day to the 460-yard 18th. Both scored 68 in the

fourth round when Parnevik appeared to be coasting home, until the pressure suddenly got to him and he bogeyed the 15th, 16th and 18th.

play-off hole. Ballesteros leaving a six-foot putt just short. They then haived the next four in fours, Ballesteros making a tenfnoter at the 2nd, coming out of sand to three feet at the 3rd and holing from 12

feet on the fifth green.

Parmevik followed him in from six feet there, but after both missed the green next time round Ballesteros's chip to four feet tested his

night, needed a par four at the last to avoid the play-off. But the oilds were against him from the moment he found the rough off the tee.

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Parnevik, joint third over-

He came up well short with his next, pitched to 25 feet and missed the putt. Ballesteros now lies sec-

ond in the European Order of Merit behind José-Maria Olazábal, who did not play in Majorea after winning the two previous

Vicente Fernández, the 45-year-old Argentinian, finished third, two strokes Gordon Brand Jr. four ahead at halfway and still leader by one with eight to play, said: "I started in a Rolls-Royce and ended up on a donkey." Both he and Rayy I are who led spring Barry Lane, who led going into the final 18 holes, complained to the tournament director, Andy McFee,

#### SWIMMING

# Fibbens defeats Shortman by narrowest of margins

BY CRAIG LORD

WHEN the World Cup champion and World Cup series champion race, going through the motions with no greater ambition than to sunport their sport can still be a

So it was at the LDA meeting at East Kilbride last night, where Mike Fibbens edged out Austyn Shortman by a hundredth of a second in The rivals, who are "like brothers" on land, fought stroke for stroke along the one length of the Dollan Baths,

the 50 metres freestyle. with Fibbens, of Barnet Conthall, London, snatching victory in 23.44sec by the smallest of official margins. Both men praised the con-

cept of the grand prix circuit,

with seven rounds and a a well-run meet that will be super final, to be held at Edinburgh next mouth, and expressed regret that other leading internationals had chosen to stay away from East "I can't see any reason why

we shouldn't support this just because we've been to the World Cup," Fibbens, who has been pre-selected for the Barcelona Olympic Games, said. "If we want the support and sponsors, we have to be seen to care." Shortman, who led the

England one-two-three in the 50 metres at the World, Cup final two weeks ago, and Fibbens will next meet at the grand prix final. "I'm looking forward to that. Edinburgh is

our last big event before the Olympic trials," Fibbens said. ☐ Angel Martino, nee Myers, the American who was banned for 16 months in 1988 for testing positive for anabolic steroids, will compete, at the Barcelona

Martino, aged 24, from North River, who claimed birth control pills were responsible for her positive test at the selection trials for Seoul, firrished second to Jenny Thompson in the 50 metres freestyle at the trials for Barcelona in Indianapolis. Thompson's time of 25.20sec was a United States record.

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#### ROWING

### Oxford fail test set by Imperial

OXFORD were beaten in the Reading Head for the first time for four years on Saturday (Mike Rosewell writes). Oxford were chased by a much crisper Imperial College crew who produced a two stroke higher rating, which, in the second half, reached 38, and won by six seconds. This was Imperial's first win over Oxford since 1987.

Oxford were nine seconds ahead of their reserve boat and Steve Royle, Oxford's rowing director, could still make some crew changes. Cambridge, meanwhile, with a more settled crew, produced an impressive performance against Nottingham

County on the Tideway. In two rows, Cambridge won by three-and-a-half lengths and one-and-a-quarter lengths.

#### FOOTBALL

# Cambridge mix toil and spoil to find formula

Middlesbrough ...... Cambridge United...... 1

By IAN ROSS

FOR as long as sides of superior technique are unable to match their commendable determination, Cambridge will continue to believe that a place among England's elite next season is an attainable

target. Reviled though their "route one" game may be. Cambridge proved once again at Ayresome Park that honest endeavour is a quality of lim-

itless potential. Cambridge's recent success has hinged on an ability to induce frustration in their opponents by fracturing the natural thythm of a match. Although it is a transparent system, which garners profit from destruction, it is successful because so many teams are naive enough to attempt to fight fire with fire.

Middlesbrough are one of the second division's more accomplished outfits yet only occasionally did they display the patience and intellig to render useless the stifling effects of Cambridge's rudi-

mentary offside trap.
Still recovering from the midweek Rumbelows Cups semi-final against Manchester United, Midsemi-final dlesbrough were understandably sluggish but, even so, the paucity of thought in midfield was unacceptable. Parkinson, who illuminat-

ed a drab first half with a firm drive against the bar, and Slaven did threaten to underline Middlesbrough's marginal superiority with a goal but it was the visitors who drew first blood when Dublin turned in Taylor's cross in the 53rd minute.

Although Wilkinson's scrambled equaliser, 11 minutes later, failed to provide a platform for victory it pre-served Middlesbrough's un-beaten home League record this season, which would have been surrendered but for the referee's curious decision to disallow Heaney's strike in

the dying stages.

Having been informed that promotion to the Premier League next season was little more than a formality, Blackburn Rovers were perhaps guilty of believing their own publicity at Twerton Park where they were soundly defeated, 3-0, by Bristol

Rovers.
The introduction of Wegerle, Blackburn's latest costly acquisition, met with only limited success and with Ipswich Town bearing Wat-ford at Vicarage Road, courtesy of Whitton's late goal, the north Lancashire club leads

only on goal difference. Kevin Keegan, the Newcastle United manager, launched a verbal attack on his team after Gall's late goal had given Brighton their first away success in more than six months, at St James' Park. "It was an insult to me the training staff and the sup-porters" Keegan said.

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Rowert (sub: M Narbury), D O'Shee,
Dublin, J Taylor, N Heaney.
Referee: J Rey.

# **Burnley worthy** of higher status

BY PETER BALL

THE Premier League may soon be with us, but the Football League need have no fears for its future if the signs of rude health in the lower divisions continue at their

On Saturday, there were bigger gates for both the third and fourth division leaders. Stoke and Burnley, than for potential Premier three League chubs.

For some time the fourth division nurtured the crude version of the long-ball game. No longer. Burnley, Black-pool and Mansfield are play-ing a style of football which would not be out of place

much higher up.

Burnley are a Premier League club in all but status, and at last are beginning to play football to match their surroundings. Their last two home matches, against Blackpool and Barnet, have attracted crowds of 18,163 and 12,018 respectively and the football on display has

been a credit to the division.
In the end on Saturday Burnley won much more convincingly than the scoreline suggests, to assert the claims of a founder-member over the League's newest recruits. Yet, paradoxically. Barnet also made a significant contribution to the game.

Some may find Barnet a difficult club to warm to. But on this occasion they proved a credit to their manager, attacking with a flourish. "I told our players that Barnet would nt wait and see what we were going to do. They would get at us at every opportunity," Jimmy Mullen, the Burnley manager said.

But Barnet's style proved counter-productive. Burnley's pace on the counterattack was devastating and they might have scored two or vis headed home Jakub's corner while completely unmarked in the six-yard box.

Barnet came back well, but after Barnett ran Measham's cross past Phillips, it was a question of how many. However, only Deary made a chance count.

With Mansfield losing at Lincoln and Blackpool idle, the result took Burnley back to the top. There were upsets in the third division too, the two leaders both losing.

BURNLEY: N Welker; J Messham, J Jakub, S Davis (sub: A Rendal), J Pender, A Farrell, S Herper, J Deery, J Francis, M A Partial, S Passey, J Deary, T Foreign, BARNET: G Phillips; G Poole, S Morritw, M Booley (sub: J Hurt), D Barnett, D Horton, P Wilson (sub: F Wille), M Carter, G Bull, K Lowe, P Showler.

#### Lancing sunk by Gladstone

ROBERT Gladstone, the son of a former headmaster of Lancing, scored two goals and played a key role in Old Etonians' 3-2 victory over Lancing Old Boys (George Chesterton writes). Mgu Giles got Eton's other goal, levelling the scores after Ian Brown-Peterside had scored twice for Lancing.

The Etonians, who have never won the Arthur Dunn Cup, meet Old Chigwellians in the 78th final, at Motspur Park, London, on April 4.

#### POINT-TO-POINT

# Crows celebrate double in Times qualifiers

By Brian Beel

THE Crow family dominated the two Times Championship qualifiers at the Tanatside point-to-point on Saturday. Alistair Crow riding both winners, who were trained by his mother, Sheila.

Equity Player went on from Robin Greenaway on Charlie Magpie at halfway to run out a comfortable winner of the first division by six lengths. In the second, after longtime leader Prospector's Way faded. Crow. riding his grandmother's Scally Muire, went on pursued by The Artful Rascal. This one, under William Barlow, closed to within three lengths with two to jump, but was soon shaken off and 15 lengths

qualifier, at the Derwent, Riverboat Queen was the market choice but it was Claxton Greene who won by Anthea Farrell had a re-

separated them at the post.

In the day's other Times

Market Rasen on Friday after breaking her fibula only 20 days earlier. She followed up her success within 24 hours by taking the ladies' open with Northumbrian King.

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Chemist Broker; 3, Hand To Live. 14 mm.
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Charleston Lud; 3. Whya Lee, 13 me.
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fav); 2, Goodfooking Bird: 3, Samsun. 12
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2, Islongo; 3, Green Walk, 14 ran.
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2, Isipingus, 3, Green Walls, 14 ran.

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6-1); 2, Polkerae; 3, Red Cxon. 10 ran.
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6-1); 2, Weyward Spilor; 3, Master Eryl 18
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2, Master Swillbrook; 3, Gaelic Cherry, 8
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25-1); 2, Georgie e Caper; 3, Martineburg,
22 ran. Ladies; 1, Stephens Pet (Miss A
Dare, 1-3 fay); 2, Paddy's Pend; 3, The
Langholm Dyer, 10 ran. Rest II 1, Royalty
Bay (M Murrowd, 16-1); 2, Diemond Fort;
3, Dick The Shepherd, 16 ran Midn. 1,
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Fowling Place; 3, Fight Again, 18 ran.
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Jolid Gazelle, 19 ran.
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3, Certain Rhythm, 6-ran, Times Rest 1,
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Riverboot Queen; 3, Jack Dwyer, 17 ran.
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TABLE TENNIS

### Prean is bemused by Chen's tactical ploy By RICHARD EATON

CHEN Xinhua, the former Chinese international whose long struggle to get a British passport succeeded three months ago, yesterday became the English national champion when he deposed the title-holder and top seed,

21, 21-18 in one of the event's most fascinating finals. Chen, born in Fukien, settled in Yorkshire and presently based in Germany, had only once before beaten Prean, whose ability against defensive players is re-nowned. This time he achieved it by relinquishing ground only reluctantly, cre-

Carl Prean, 21-17, 21-16, 9-

ating more chances to counter-hit and counter-loop. It worked well in the first game, but in the second it 21-14. became less necessary as Prean surprisingly lost his

way while trying to pick out the chop-and-float defence. When it returned, the Isla of Wight player won the third and advanced to 15-11 in the fourth game, before a surge of brilliant counter-attack mixed with the best defensive rallies of the contest carried Chen to victory. Earlier, Desmond Doug-

champion now aged 36, was distracted when his 15-yearold bat snapped while he was making a backhand hit during his semi-final with Prean. Douglas had been leading by a game and stood at 15-16 in the second, but although he used four bats in all he could not recover his touch and lost 17-21, 21-16, 21-18,

las, the 11-times former

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TANATSIDE (Eyfon-on-Severn): Hunt: 1, 80me Action (M Harrmond, 7-4); 2, Sevyer's Son; 3, Royal Mere. 6 ren. Confined: 1, Notions Diemma (S Brookshaw, 25 fav); 2, Water Cannon; 3, Bill Conversil. 15 ren. Open: 1, Brooks Grigy (J Evene 2-1 Jt fav); 2, Abbreviation; 3, Hascombe Hill. 10 ren. Ladies: 1,

Shanty Wood. 12 ran.
WESTERN (Wadebndge): Rest: 1, Sunday For Monday (W. G. Turrer, 51); 2, Moorton's Boy; 3, Kingamili Imp. 10 ran. Mixed Open: 1, Midnight Madnass (R. Derke, 1-3 fay); 2, Fisipon Coarly; 3, Unsylam Oliowner, 7 ran. Confined: 1, Only For Love (B. Heitfernan, 10-1); 2, Bishopric; 3, Ballytorician Boy, 6 ran. Inter: 1, Where Be Too (Miss S. Young; 3-1); 2, Arzona, 3, Sas Member, 11 ran. Open Mdn I: 1, Brother Bill (R. Darke, 7-2); 2, National Gays; 3, Miss Karnow, 7 ran. Open Mdn II: 1, Brother Bill (R. Darke, 7-2); 2, National Gays; 3, Miss Karnow, 7 ran. Open Mdn II: 1, Penny Fizz (D. Liff, 5-1); 2, Prince Soloman; 3, Wadebndge Fair, 12, 2, Pance, 1-4 fay); 2, Running Lale; 3, Spaced Out. 5 ran.

Forest floored as Portsmouth reach FA Cup semi-finals and revive thoughts of glories past

# McLoughlin ends Clough's dream

Nottingham Forest...... 0

BY CLIVE WHITE

IN A season where tradition is about to be unceremoniously dumped for the sake of the financial expediency of the few, the sound of the Pompey chimes ringing out defiantly over Fratton Park on Saturday will have been sweet music to the ears of those who still believe that the past has a place in the future.

Not since Jimmy Dickinson led Portsmouth to the League championship 42 years ago has the club had so much cause to celebrate. which it did with an inhibition which reflected the long wait. It was a game worthy of the occasion and played in the best spirit of the FA Cup. from which not even the dismissal of Brian Laws, the Nottingham Forest right back, in the 64th minute for a foul on John Beresford could

However much a part of all our yesterdays Portsmouth may be, the tearn, ironically, is very much one of tomorrow; indeed, the ideal Premier League graduate. Resourceful, skilful and honest, it is a team after Forest's own heart. That, at least, must have been a consulation for Brian Clough, who seems fated never to lift the FA Cup. no matter how many visits he

makes to Wembley.
Instead, it is left to Jim Smith, second only to Clough in terms of managerial tongevity, to contemplate that prestigious honour this season and the certainty of his first FA Cup semi-final. Smith would rather have promotion any day. He likes to believe that Portsmouth's FA Cup success can have a beneficial effect on their promotion drive, though history may beg to differ. The poor Premier Leaguers may have to brace themselves for receiving the likes of Cambridge

But that is for the future. This was a victory to savour

Stuart may

earn recall

and one that was thoroughly deserved even if it was handed to Portsmouth on a plate. After just 90 seconds, Pearce, the Forest captain, in attempting to soften up young Anderton, Porismouth's prodigiously talented winger, conceded a free kick which had disastrous consequences for last season's runners-up in the competition. Beresford's kick from the right played literally into Crossley's hands - and then out of them, providing McLoughlin with a simple tap-in. That must have had them eating their hearts out a few miles along the south coast at Southampton. where, in another quarterfinal, goals were conspicuous by their absence.

McLoughlin is on loan to the dub from Southampton, who have permitted him to play in the competition pro-viding it is not against them. Smith hopes to make the deal permanent as soon as possible and has already agreed a fee of £350,000 for the layer who cost Southampton El million from Swindon

Town 15 months ago.
Thereafter Portsmouth, beaten only once at home in the League this season, owed their success to some splendidly resolute defending, notably on the part of Awford and Symons, an exceptional pair of young centre backs, who restricted Forest to two or three chances. The pick of them was a superbly directed header by Pearce in the fifteenth minute, which looked all over a goal until Knight produced a save of the highest

The magnificence of Ports mouth was equalled only by the magnamity of their manager, who conceded that his team was helped by Forest's physical condition following their exhaustive Rumbelows Cup semi-final the previous Sunday and a further game

As for Clough, as generous as ever in defeat, he may have rued his decision not to settle his differences with Sutton, his former goalkeeper who



Kept at arm's length: Keane, of Nottingham Forest, overcomes the attention of Burns at Fratton Park

sold to Derby County. Clough kept his thoughts for Crossley. "I haven't had time to feel sorry for myself yet but my heart goes out to the

side is trying very hard to win

is not much fun to watch and

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all got to remember that a week earlier he was making the saves that got us to Wembley. He'll get over it; in fact, we'll all get over it in time, even though it was

a match in that way." ☐ Brian Clough won the Barclays' manager-of-themonth award for February for taking Forest to Wembley for the ZDS Cup and Rum-

PORTSMOLTH: A Knigst; A Auriord, ... Beresford, D Powell (sub: W Aspirall), I Symone, G Burra, W Nell, M Kuhi, C Clerke

# Cup-tie that begs for decisive finish

**GRAHAM Stuart is poised to** fill the inspirational boots of Vinny Jones for Chelsea's FA Cup quarter-final match

ford Bridge tonight. Smart scored the goal that swept Chelsea through the fifth round at home to Sheffield United. Since then, he was withdrawn from the draw with Nottingham Forhome defeat by Sheffield Wednesday as a substitute.

But now he is earmarked by the manager, Ian Porterfield, to replace the suspended Jones, ahead of Craig Burley.

lose it," Dave Stringer, the Norwich manager, said after-Southampton. Norwich City... either side."

Ian Branfoot, the manager HERE was an argument in of Southampton, took much favour of the penalty shoot-out. The teams had been playthe same view. "I don't think anyone expects a sixth-round ing for no more than ten FA Cup match to be full of minutes at The Dell on Saturfree-flowing football. It's the day before it became clear fear factor. Nobody wants to both would settle for a replay lose. Everybody wants to be in of their sixth-round FA Cup that hat when they make the tie at Carrow Road on Wedsemi-final draw." But a match that neither nesday of next week.

"You say to yourself, if you can't win a Cup game, don't

wonderfully, as we have seen already this season, not least from Southampton at Old Trafford in the fourth round.

As Branfoot admitted, the onus was on Southampton to attack at home, and with Le Tissier and Shearer in their ranks, they seemed well equipped to do it. But neither of these stars so much as glimmered thanks to Norwich's five-man defence and efficient offside trap.

ering the final touch fell to the departments, and the one clear chance fell to Cockerill, who was confused by a bad bounce, from a sub-standard pitch, and put the ball over

All this suited Norwich very well, particularly in the first half when they were able to counter-attack with purpose. Fleck and Butterworth forced good saves from Flowers, but their best chance came when

the bar from four yards with

And so to Carrow Road, where if neither side improves, penalties will decide. "We have five very good pen-alty takers," Branfoot said. "You saw that at Old

SOUTHAMPTOR: T Plowers: J Dodd, F Benef, B Home, K Moore, N Reddock, M Le Tissier, G Coolents, A Shearer, I Dowle, T

WEEKEND FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES

TELTIC:

# Leeds capitalise on mistakes to regain title lead

Tottenham Hotspur...... 1 Leeds United.

By LOUISE TAYLOR

SUMMER arrived early at Tonenham on Saturday, with Howard Wilkinson sporting a light-coloured suit, matching tie and pocket handker-chief, complemented by crocodile skin shoes more reminiscent of the Spanish Costas than north London. The amount of sand sprinkled on the tatty White Hart Lane pitch added to the relaxed seaside atmosphere.

Wilkinson, the Leeds manger, confirmed his side's overly laid-back approach. "We were rubbish." he said. Yet Tottenham Hoispur - or rather their defence — were

While Leeds moved two points clear of Manchester United at the head of the first division. Tottenham's eleventh home defeat of the season equalled an unenviable record dating back to 1975. Should they lose at Luton Town on Wednesday, Totten-

ham will be sucked into the demotion scrap — so much for their supposed standing as a pillar of the Premier

League.
Peter Shreeves, their manager, admitted: "We could be in a relegation battle. Individual mistakes cost us."

Dearly. The first occurred when Sedgley headed the ball straight into the path of Wal-

iace, who advanced to beat

Thorstvedt from 15 yards for his tenth goal of the season.

That was in the 36th minute but, three minutes after half-time, Tottenham were level when Allen met a Stewart cross to side-foot an equaliser at the far post.

But for inspirational saves from Lukic, who performed wonders to deny Stewart and Durie. Shreeves's side could have gone in front.

Instead, it was Leeds who scored next and, this time, it was Thorstvedt's fault. He failed to cut out a Strachan comer and Newsome, who is still at Sheffield University and trains with Leeds three days a week, headed home in the 76th minute.

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It was the cue for Cantona. the French international forward, to step off the bench, He took 30 seconds to capitalise on slack marking and deliver the pass from which McAllister struck Leeds' third.

So an afternoon that Strachan and Chapman, in particular, will recall as far from their finest enhanced Leeds' chances of summering as champions. It also begged the question of just what might Wilkinson wear to receive the freedom of Elland Road in May?

TO'TTENHAM HÖTSPUR: EThornivek Fenwick, P van den Hauwe (aub: Bergsson), S Sedgley, D Howels, Stewert, G Duris, A Grey, G Lineker (au

# City keep Coton but let in goals

Queen's Park Rangers . 4

Manchester City... BY NACHOLAS HARLING

LONG before the end of a match that left Manchester City's championship aspirations in tatters, the question of why their goalkeeper. Tony Coton, was allowed to stay on should have become an

Somewhat perversely, though, after one of the best performances of the season from Queen's Park Rangers City, according to their player-manager. Peter Reid, the main talking point continued to revolve around Cotori. Should he have gone for up-ending Andy Sinton in the 39th minute or did the referee, Michael James, do right by allowing him to continue after what was patently a professional foul when the goal was beckoning for

"Common sense pre-

Sinton.

vailed," Reid said. Not so, his counterpart, Gerry Francis, said, claiming that Coton should have been sent off just as he was for a similar offence against Derby County last season. The referee apparently said that Sinton was going away from the goal that a City

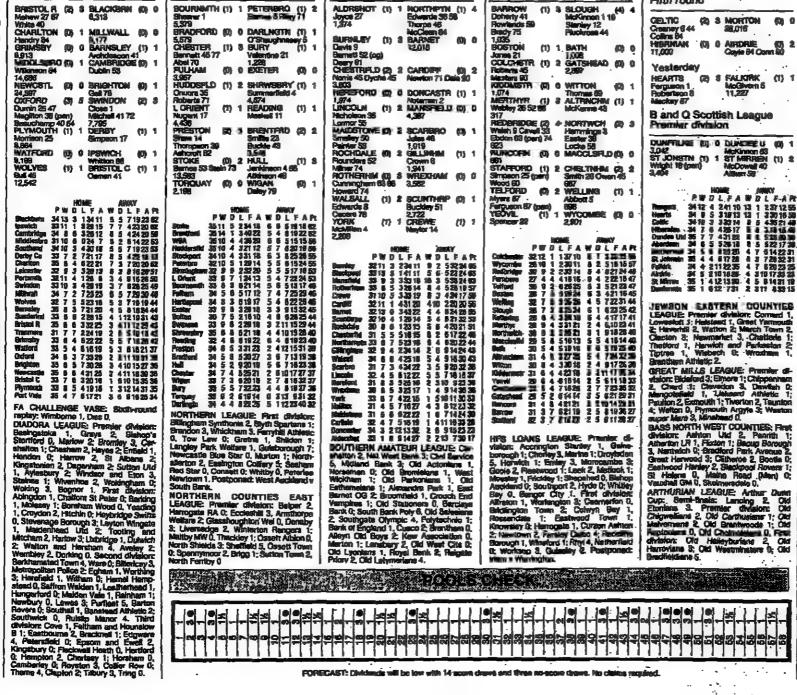
Francis made the point that had the goalkeeper done slightly better than push Clive Wilson's penalty against the post from where it entered the net, City would have still been

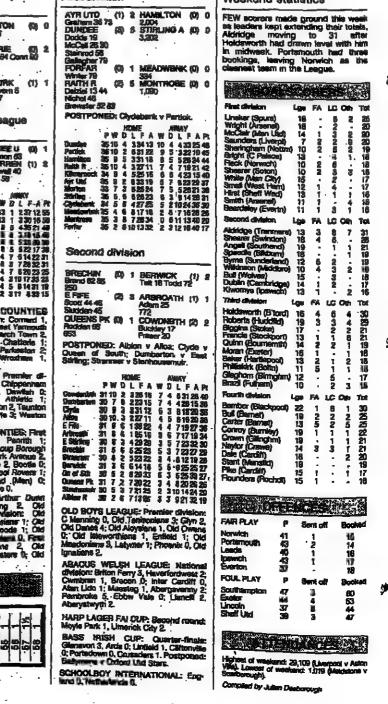
Ferdinand headed the first off an upright and banged in the third with City's defence in disarray. Impey supplied the crosses for Ferdinand's first goal and for the fourth. from Barker, a late substitute. QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS: J Steintet: D Bardetey, C Wilson, A Impey, D Pescock, A McConetd, R Wildris, I Hollowsy, L Ferdinand, G Pennice (aub: 8 Barter), A Status Anton. G. Pennice (800: S. Banker, A. Senton.
MANCHESTER CTTT: A Coton; A. HE, N. Pointon, P. Reid, K. Curie, D. Brightwell, D. Virillou, M. Sherton (suit: F. Simpson), N. Curin. S. McMathon, A. Haeth.

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Street successfully defending his Champion Hurdle title.

His comments may have

contributed to one of the most

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t let in goals.

# Mottram's Gold to sparkle again

MICHAEL Fitzgerald, who lost his right to claim 51b when riding the first of two winners on his comeback after injury at Wincanton last Thursday, can again put his reduced allowance to good effect by winning the Somerset Handicap Hurdle at Taunton today on Mottram's

The promising rider was only entitled to claim 3lb by the time that he weighed out before partnering this greatly-improved seven-year-old to that fascile success at Win-

canton five days ago.
The nearest that Mottram's Gold got to winning last sea-son was when he finished sixth in a novices' chase at Huntingdon, and even then he was last by a long way.
Since Joining Jackie Retter's in-form Devon stable though he has changed out of

all recognition. After winning a seller on MICHAEL PHILLIPS

his seasonal debut at Lingfield in January, he graduated to Taunton in February before moving on in style to Wincanton last week.

When beating the in-form Tomahawk by ten lengths on the last occasion, he put up his best performance to date.
Not surprisingly, Mass Retter is striking again while the iron is still hot and I feel strongly that Mottram's Gold still represents good value even though his weight includes a 71b penalty.

Like Mottram's Gold, Sai-

ly's Dove has also been penalised for winning recently, but her victory by one and-a-half lengths in a claiming handicap hurdle at Warwick last Tuesday was not achieved with the same panache.

While Holt Place and Pol- trained by Henry Candy. should not be able to give weight to the in-form Motivates Gold this time.

Although Road To Au Bon should go well in the March Juvenile Novices' Hurdle, if he could reproduce his Windsor form in January when he was beaten only a head by Kashan in this instance I am more inclined to side with the newcomer Bold Bostonian, who had some quite useful form on the Flat when he was

lock are capable of winning a On the strength of that race of this nature, they Philip Hobbs bid 28,000 guineas to buy him at Newmarket in the autumn.

Rabs Ribs, who was bearen one and a haif lengths by Boom Time at Ludlow, clearly has the ability to win the Peter and Cybil Blackburn Memorial Challenge Trophy. provided that he is none the worse for that fall in a much better race won by Ryde Again at Leicester in the meantime.

At Plumpton, Reg Ake-

**JOCKEYS** 

3.30 CLAPPER CHALLENGE CUP

(Novices Hunters Chase: Amateurs: £744: 3m 1f) (6 runners)

4.00 DON BUTCHERS CHALLENGE TROPHY

(Handicap Hurdle: £1,576; 2m 4f) (10 runners)

BETTING: 11-10 Spring Fun, 7-2 The Somemin Demon, 6-1 Captain Jim, 6-1 Carriclanines; 14-1 Jenuary Don, 20-1 Startep.

1891: SLVER BEASON 8-11-11 Mr R Alner (Evens (av) B Pice 7 ran

CAPTAIN JIM 2nd of 4 besten 12 by Father John (arvels) at Newton Abbot (3m -27 100yd, firm).

CAPTAIN JIM 2nd of 4 besten 12 by Father John (groot). THE SCHEAMIN DEAKIN COMMES successful to a vital point-support and also placed in novice hurdles.

SPRING FUIN, won two point-supports and second.

[Hancicap Hurcile: ET,0/6: Zm 47] (10 runners)

1 191881 LUSTY LAD 18 (CD,F/a) (3 Ne) M Hayne 7-18-0 House 9 Bradley
2 28010/ Salent CHANT 683 (B,CD,F) (J McGreth) D Marrey Smith 8-10-9 G Bradley
3 R3RR-00 TORKABAR 8 (D,S) (N Couteon-Sievens) G Hem 7-10-7 D McEthews (7)
4 30-32P4 JUST BLAKE 7 (CD,F/a) (Are A Gande) J Roberts 11-10-2 Hayne (7)
5 512P-02 High CHATEAU 12 (CD,F/a) (Are V Chanhopy F Chidneys 7-10-0 Mr.R Parrars (7)
6 512P-02 High CHATEAU 12 (D,F) (M Liley) J Specifing 8-10-0 MR.R Parrars (7)
7 380-155 MANHATTAN BOY 12 (C,F,G,B) (Are D Hurcisest) J Pitch-Heyes 10-10-0 R Quest
5 PFF283 SOLSTICE RGLL 19 (B,CD,F) (J Well R Voorspuy 10-10-0 D Gallagher
9 88/AUU VILLA PARK 12 (F,S) (3 Weitham) G Wareham 10-10-0 T Granthem
10 94200P MARCH ABOVE 20 (8,0) (Fied House Recing) B Stevens 8-10-1 T Granthem

Long hendicac Quel D'Onay 9-12, High Chatasu 9-8, Manhattan Boy 9-8, Soletice Bell 9-7, Villa Park 9-8, March Above 9-1.

BETTING: 13-8 Lusty Lad, 5-1 Stient Chant, 6-1 Manhatten Boy, 7-1 High Chateau, 8-1 Just Bisks, Torkaber, 12-1 Solstice Bell, 15-1 others.

1991: LEADING ROLE 7-12-0 P Soudamore (13-8) M Pipe 3 ren

FORM FOCUS

LUSTY LAD best Wick Pound (red Sto) 21st with
SOURTICE SELL (red 275) least of 2 breaks 32st is
Lingified (2m 2, standard). QUAL D'ORSAY best Red Hackte
(gave 33b) 3 here (2m 4, good to firm). HIGH
(gave 33b) 3 here (2m 4, good to firm). HIGH
(gave 4b) with MANHATTAN BOY (gave 1b) 5th
besten 20 by Mise Lawn (red 17b) at Southwell (2m).

1 3912TP KOSAME SE (D.G.S) (K Bet) C Breed 11-12-0 D Tegg
2 1USSS HEADIN' ON 11 (D.F.G) (Mrs P. Joynes 12-14-8 D Tegg
3 1USSS HEADIN' ON 11 (D.F.G) (Mrs P. Joynes 12-14-8 D Tegg
3 FF5323 VINCANTO 83 (F,G) (Mrs C Cabworthy) J Gifford 10-11-0 E Murphy
4 230-SP4 PETTEMPS NETWORK 70 (D.F.G.S) (Pertemps Limited) J Speering 3-10-11 R Guest
5 802/P14 NICKINAVAR SS (D.G) (S Testey) Mrs P Tettey 7-10-10 T (Permittem)
6 285344 UNIQUE NEW YORK 28 (Y.C.S) (Miss 3 Jameson) 8 Moodman 9-10-10 P Miss (T)
7 3U513-0 THE FRUIT 28 (CD.F.G) (T Ladger) R Ladger 13-10-1 Mrs N Ladger (S COSSSS SNITTERFIELD 21 (CD.F.G.S) (M Madgwick) M Medgwick 14-10-0 J Krywnagh

TING: 3-1 Unique New York, 4-1 Klessns, 8-2 Vincento, 5-1 Mokrever, 8-1 Pertemps Headin' On, 12-1 Snitterfield, 20-1 The Fruit.

1991; SOHAK 5-11-8 D Skyrme (16-1) J White 9 min ... . FORM FOCUS

KISSANE pulled up 2 cut behind box (rec 22tb) at Foliasistone (2m 4t, good to soft); certier beat Valentinos Joy (rec 21tb) 6t at Martet Rasen (2m 4t, good). NICKNAVAR 4th beaten 20t by Well Valentinos Joy (rec 21tb) 6t at Martet Rasen (2m 4t, good). NICKNAVAR 4th beaten 20t by Well Wingood). HEADIN'ON lest of the 5 tinishers to Ronans Birthday (gave 6tb) at Ludiow (3m, good). VINCANTO Soft Deaten 12th by Enseath (see 12tb) at Foliasione (2m 4t, soft). Shift FRRELD 3rd beaten 10th by General Martet, soft). PERTEMPS NETWORK 4th beaten

4.30 BOLNEY HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,030: 2m 4f) (8 runners)

hurst, the successful Epsom trainer, can to take the first two races with Here He Comes (2.0) and Coe (2.30). Steve Woodman, on cloud nine still after winning the

Imperial Cup at Sandown on Saturday with King Credo. can strike again, this time with Unique New York in the Bolney Handicap Chase. But for a mistake at the last fence at Folkestone last time out, he would have been runner-up to that useful chaser What's Your Problem.

Finally, the Don Butchers Challenge Trophy can go to the Epsom-trained top weight Lasty Lad, who succeeded in bringing Wick Pound's winning sequence to an end at Lingfield 12 days ago. ☐ Francois Doumen began Chehenham week in style when Voretin got up close home to win the £35,971 Prix Troytown at Auteuil yesterday by a short neck.

THE countdown to the finest three day's National Hunt racing in the world began in earnest yesterday when the main contingent of Irish horses arrived at Cheltenham, trainers finalised nunning and riding plans, and one set of owners planned a party - to celebrate having a Nobody was busier than Peter Scudamore and Martin Pipe as they prepared for the Davies: gave Fidway most important week of their

RACING CORRESPONDENT

The two champions seek to

become the first trainer-iock-

ev partnership since Vincent O'Brien and Aubrey Braba-

zon in 1950 to win the Gold

Cup and Champion Hurdle

With only eight horses de-clared at the five-day stage for

the Tote-sponsored Gold

Cup, the big bookmakers

were taking no risks and shortened the prices of the market leaders. William Hill,

which has always had the

shortest price for the favour-

long-term plan superbly when King Credo won the Sunderlands Imperial Cup at Sandown Park on Saturday.

Woodman booked Adrian Magaire at Christmas to take the ride and the young Irish jockey timed his challenge brilliantly, wearing draw Roden Star on the pre-

down Rodeo Star on the run-in to win by two-and a half

Now King Credo, bred and

festival runner.

in the same year.

to 3-1.

two races, the champion trainer spent some time yeshorsepower during the

Pipe. The champion jockey ex-

4) against Carvill's Hill. François Doumen's The Fellow was trimmed half a point Carvill's Hill completed a final piece of serious work on Saturday to the satisfaction of his trainer. "He did six furlongs up the gallop and was very good. He is fine, very well. He will just have a stretch and an exercise be-Nicholson tween now and the race,"

King Credo chases £50,000

bonus in County Hurdle

THE Chichester trainer Steve Woodman executed a long-term plan superbly on offer to the horse complet-

Pipe said yesterday. With 27 likely festival runners, including five in each of about the prospects of Morley

Carvill's Hill evens as

Pipe primes arsenal

terday trying to figure out who will ride what Apart from Scudamore, Jimmy Frost, Mark Perrett, Peter Niven and Graham McCourt are likely to be on the Pipe festival.

ite, now offers evens (from 5-

Scudamore spent the day at Nicholashayne schooling horses, including Star's Delight which runs in the Queen Mother Champion Chase, and discussing tactics with

pects to ride Snowy Lane in the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle unless the ground is very fast, in which case he will switch to Beebob. Meanwhile, he is likely to pick up a plumb outside ride on Tinryland in the Waterford Castle Arkle Chase as Richard Dunwoody will be aboard Shamana for David

Jimmy Frost was particularly bullish over the weekend

ing the Imperial Cup-County
Hurdle double.

Bolam will be rehearsing a
play in Croydon when King

Credo goes into battle at the Festival on Thursday.

"But you can be sure I'll make time to pop in the local

betting shop to watch it," said Bolam, who bred the gelding out of his prolific winning chaser Credo's

significant betting moves. with William Hill promoting Toby Balding's star back to favouritism for tomorrow's race. Morley Street is now 3-1 (from 7-2), while Granville Again has drifted from 11-4 to 100-30, the same price as Royal Gait. Hywel Davies gave Fidway a pipe-opener at Lambourn yesterday, and Tim Thomson Jones is looking forward to a bold showing in tomorrow's feature race. "I don't know Champion pipe-opener how good my horse is. I know he has got better and better and has had the best prepara-

> ville Again. "My fellow has run in the top-class races and won. Having beaten Gran Alba, he has the best form of the season,"

tion for the race of the leading

contenders, apart from Gran-

the trainer said. Unless the heavens open this morning, Josh Gifford will run Bradbury Star in the Sun Alliance Chase on Wednesday rather than the Arkle tomorrow, where he is represented by the strongly-fancied Deep Sensation. No trainer has won both novice chases since Tom Dreaper in 1965.

Edward Gillespie, managing director at Prestbury Park, described the ground as genuinely good and not fast. The forecast is changeable during the week with a bit of rain, wind and sun so we would like to think the ground will stay-good during the lestival."

Although the corporate entertainment business is down by 15 per cent this year, advance ticket sales of E1.7 million are only £12,000 below last year.

Ladbrokes reported significant weekend support for Kings Fountain in the Gold Cup and now have Kim Bailey's imposing chaser as 6-1 third favourite.

The owners of the strapping nine-year-old will certainly know how to celebrate should their chaser win the big race. They are already planning a pre-Gold Cup party to celebrate having a festival runner. Heavens knows what a post-Gold Cup victory thrash would be like.

#### MANDARIN THUNDERER RICHARD EVANS 2.00 Here He Comes. Receard number. Sb.-figure form (F - fell, P - pulled up. U - unsented rider. B - brought down. 8 - slipped up. R - refused. D - disquellited). Horse's name. Days since last outing: F if figt. (B - bilakers. V - vier. M - hood. E - Eyesheld. C - course winner. D - distance winner. CD - course and 2.00 Here He Comes: 4.00 Just Blake 2.30 Coe. 3.00 Djebel Prince. 2.30 Coe. 3.00 Djebel Prince. 3.30 Spring Fun. 4.00 Lusty Lad. 3.30 SPRING FUN (nap). 4.00 Just Blake. 4.30 Unique New York. 4.30 Unique New York Brian Beel: 3.30 Spring Fun. GOING: GOOD; (CHASE COURSE) GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES 2.00 ARDINGLY NOVICES HURDLE (£1,185: 2m) (6 runners) | PR3212 CANOSCAN 12 (B,CD,S) (Lady Sepah Clutton) Lady Herriso 7-11-8 | T Granthers 87 | S6/03-16 HERE HE COMES 35 ) (CD,BF,G) (E Herrington) R Alcharet 6-11-8 | J Leech (2) \$ 99 | 3 2/P-6140 CARELESS XISS 7 (D,G) (F Wilson) A Moore 8-11-8 | Candy Morris 77 | 3214 MY ALIBUT 18 (D,G) (F Stapleton) W Cartier 4-11-0 | S Bradley 87 | B23063 BALADIYA 50 (B,BF) (Mrs R Hexes) Mrs D Hains 5-10-11 | N Williamson 80 | S CBERT TOO 38 (Mrs N Restinational D Grissel 8-10-11 | Lawrence | Lawrence | Candy Morris 19 | Candy M BETTING: 5-4 Here He Comes, 7-4 Canoscan, 8-1 My ASbl, 10-1 Careless Kies, 12-1 Belacitys, 20-1 Sober Too. 1981: NACONA 5-11-2 J White (68-1) J King 16 ran FORM FOCUS CANOSCAN had a tough lask at the weights when 2nd beaten a nk by Run For Nick (no: 16tb) here (2m, good to firm). HERE HE COMES 5th beaten 32 by Woodurather (gave 3b) with CARELESS KISS (nos (no. 1)) with CARELESS KISS (no. 2), and the beaten 22 at Forhwell (2m 2f, good). CARELESS KISS was never a serious factor when 2.30 CORINTHIAN-CASUALS NOVICES CHASE (£1,860: 2m 4f) (6 runners)

1 DUURST COE 7 (S.F.G) (M Bhokkum) R Akshuret, 6-11-11. L Hervey 9-98
2 29/UPPF NORHAM CASTLE 7 (R Ledger) R Ledger 9-11-5. J Akshuret
3 205/DBU OWEN 12 (3) (Burt & Travice Controctors Ltd) B Smart 8-11-5. J Region
4 35F00P RHYTHM AND BONG 7 (Are T Pikington) J Gifford 7-11-5. P Hide (7)
5 0365-F3 GROSER WINGS 21 (D Powheed) A Moore 8-11-0. G Moore
6 8-00U RECORD EDGE 11 (Mrs P Joynes) Mrs P Joynes 8-10-10. T Wall SETTING: 4-9 Cos. 5-1 Ginger Wings, 10-1 Rhytim And Song, 12-1 Owen, 20-1 Norhem Castle, Record Edge. 1991; POPESWOOD 9-11-8 M Richertle (11-5 fev) W Wightman) 7 ran FORM FOCUS COE beel Armels (rec 7(b) 10 at Windsor (2m 6f, good). OWIEN on penultimate 6th besten 37% by Tristans Cornet (rec 16b) at Southwell (2m 4f h'cap hite, stancturd).

RHYTHM AND SONG 6th of 11 besten 571 by The

3.00 UCKFIELD SELLING HURDLE (£1,315: 2m) (7. rungers) 00-P00 TREACLE MINE 20 (Newbury Racing Club) M Usher 5:11-5 0/64003 WEAPON EXHIBITION 27 (B) (Min 8 Powell) G Hem 5-10-12 ... PPOP BREAKERS AHEAD 25 (J. Joseph) J. Joseph 4-10-8 OPS SKUP TRACER 13 (P Simmords) K hory 4-10-9

BETTING: 15-8 Kieu Kall, 9-4 Eastern Whisper, 9-2 Djebel Prince, 7-1 Wespon Schibition, 12-1 1991: BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU 410-9 B Powel (4-1) M Channon 10 ran FORM FOCUS

EASTERN WHISPER has changed stables alnow finishing 3rd beaten 11½ by Cardon (levels) at Bedgesfeld (2m, nov Aribe, firm). KISU KAU 2nd beaten 11 by Tantinon Bay (rec 6tb) hare (2m, good to firm). to firm).
DJESEL PRINCE 2nd besten a hd by Applianosci-COURSE SPECIALISTS **TRAINERS** D Murrey Smith R Alterwest

75.0 29.2 29.5 21.4 18.8 15.8

MANDARIN THUNDERER RICHARD EVANS 2.10 Spring To Glory. 2.40 Will She Wont She. 3.10 Saint Supreme. 3.40 Flying Speed. 2.40 WILL SHE WONT SHE (nap). 4.40 Mouram's Gold. 2.10 Spring To Glory. 2.40 Will She Wont She. 3:10 Raba Riba.
3:10 Bold Bottonian.
4:10 General Merchant.

4.40 Mottram's Gold

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.40 FLYING SPEED.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (GOOD PATCHES) 2.70 BATHPOOL NOVICES SELLING HURDLE (21,368: 2m 110yd) (11 runners) 234646 EMERALD MOON 68 (P Heywood) W G Turner 5-11-3 D Meredith (7) 96
2 PROS-40 FALSE PASSPORT 12 (T Doree) M Botton 5-11-3 D Meredith (7) 96
3 KING FERDINAND 28F (Apolia Racing) D R Tucker 5-11-3 W McFariand 4 0FF-POA POST CODE 27 (Mrs C Crompton) D R Tucker 5-11-3 R Armott 7 UD-3025 SPRING TO GLORY 74 (B,BF) (A Byrne) M Pipe 5-11-3 P Scudemore 97
5 SQUIBS HAM 111 (G Stickland) G Stickland 5-11-9 Mrs Stickland 7 08PO-32 BAYBEEJAY 191 (A Taylor) R Brotherion 5-10-12 D Bridgwater (3) 99
8 00P FLIGHT OF SONG 14 (Arm M Strong) D Write 5-10-12 Mr C Bonner (7) 9 BSO-5 LADY MAGENTA 25 (Mrs C Bonner) R Buckler 5-10-12 Mr C Bonner (7) 97
10 6PSO-05 TINA'S ANGEL 116 (J Fox) J Fox 5-10-12 Lorse Vincent 83
11 FPP300 TURBO-R 7 (E Lodge) A Chamberion 4-10-12 Lorse Vincent 83
12 FTIME: 11-8 Sympo To Glory 100-30 Baybasias 5-1 Time's Angel 7-1 Fmeriel Moon 10-14 (Arm Best 1-11-14) BETTING: 11-8 Spring To Glory, 100-30 Baybeejay, 5-1 Tina's Angel, 7-1 Emerald Moon, 10-1 King Ferdinand, 14-1 Post Code, 20-1 others. 1991: PHAROAH'S GUEST 4-11-0 Date McKeown (6-1) J Akehurst 14 ran

2.40 WIDCOMBE NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE 605442 WILL SHE WONT SHE 19 (G Roome) R Frost 6-11-10...

BETTING: 4-7 Will She Worll She, 2-1 Remember Charter, 8-1 Tett You What, 25-1 others.
1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

3.10 PETER AND SYBIL BLACKBURN MEMORIAL CHALLENGE TROPHY NOVICES CHASE (£2,169: 3m) (10 runners)

BETTING: 11-4 Raba Riba, 3-1 Powder Boy, 4-1 Sant Supreme, 5-1 Pharoah's Treasure, 12-1 Celtic Diamond, 16-1 others.

1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

COURSE SPECIALISTS JOCKEYS Rides Per cent **TRAINERS** P Scudamore
R Sellamy
Mentin Jones
M A Fragerato
S Burmaigh
A Tory

3.40 MARCH JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,235: 2m 110yd) (11 runners)

BETTING: 64 Flying Speed, 5-2 Road To Au Bon, 8-1 Zealous Kitten, 8-1 Bold Bostonian, 10-1 Shimmenng Scarlet, 12-1 Rivervise, 14-1 others.

-1 others. 1991; SIMPSON 6-11-2 N Coleman (6-1) J Old 13 ran 4.10 SHELDON CLAIMING CHASE (21,968: 2m 110yd) (14 runners) 

4.40 SOMERSET HANDICAP HURDLE (52,197: 2m 3f) (8 runners) 

Long handicap: Pabrey 9-13, Desert Palm 9-9 BETTING: 13-8 Mottram's Gold, 4-1 Policick, 6-1 Sally's Dove, 7-1 Holi Place, 8-1 Fresh-Mint, 12-1 Final Sound, 14-1 others.

BETTING: 9-4 Expeditious, 11-4 General Merchant, 7-2 Jack The Hiker, 8-1 Patace Gardens, 12-1 Sedgewei Drchid, 20-1 others.

1991: NO CORNESPONDING RACE

1981; HELLOVASTATE 6-10-0 N Hawke (33-1) D Barons 13 ran

# Pegwell Bay killed in fall

Bay, the winner of 12 races and more than £100,000 in prize-money, cast a sad cloud over Sandown Park on Sanurday.
Tim Forster's 11-year-old broke a

shoulder in a first-fence fall in the Food Brokers Royal Game Handicap Chase, won by Brown Windsor. The Martell Grand National will be the next stop for Brown Windsor, and Ladbrokes have trimmed his odds from 25-1 to 16-1. Brown Windsor, fourth to Mr Frisk

THE death of popular chaser Pegwell | last season because of injury. "It's all systems go for Aintree and he must have every chance," -said trainer Nicky Henderson, who has booked Richard Dunwoody for the ride. Teenager Guy Lewis, champion juvenile point-to-point jockey last

> rules when Ketti led in the final strides of the Barclays Bank Handicap Hurdle.

> season, landed his first success under

Lewis, aged 18, from Newport in Wales, is studying for his 'A' levels but hopes to become a professional in the National two years ago, missed | jockey.

#### part-owned by the actor Daughter, who died last year. 3.50 SNOWDROP CLAIMING HURDLE

2.20 Mizyan. 2.50 Dancing Days. 3.20 Dr Bulasco. 3.50 Suluk. 4.20 Locherre. 4.50 Merton Mistress.

THUNDERER 2.20 Lowawatha. 2.50 Showaca. 3.20 Dr Bulasco 3.50 Suluk. 4.20 Regan. 4.50 Merton Mistress.

GOING: STANDARD

2.20 BLUEBELL NOVICES HURDLE (£1,327: 2m) (10 runners)

1 8 A LITTLE PRECIOUS 14 J Bostock 6-11-8 2 0082 MAGSOOD 5 (B) 8 Meiter 7-11-3 M Perrett
3 0083 SAFARI KEEPER 11 M Wildeson 8-11-3 M Lynch
4 1 MIZYAN 83 (CD) J Banks 4-11-2 S Kelphsley
5 F-80 DARING CLASS II P Rodhw 6-101-2 I Sheamen
6 PUD ELLA STREET 10 J H Wilson 5-10-12 S Wynne (7)
7 MODEL NURSE 28F Mar A Knight 5-10-12

2.50 CROCUS SELLING HURDLE

1 3020 AT PEACE 72 (D.BF.P) J White 6-11-8... A Maguire 2 3332 DUNCING DAYS 6 J Parkes 6-11-3... N Smith (3) 3 6P. KINGS MEETING 459 W Clay 5-11-3... J Driscoli (7) 4 5095 ROSTOVOL 6 D Frants 7-11-3... P Carr (7) 5 0-00 BRIGARA 100 Mss C Caroe 5-10-12... A Orliney 5 2044 SHOWACA 5 R Marvin 4-10-10... G McCourt 7 0044 CATUMDRA 19 Na A Kright 4-10-5... B Wymns (7) 9 4000 BUMMER RANDS 5 J Harris 4-10-5... J A Harris 5-2 Dencing Days, 3-1 At Peece, 9-2 Showesti, 5-1 Summer Sands, Catundra, 12-1 Rostovol, 18-1 others.

3.20 DAFFODIL HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,232: 2m) (4)

1 F132 DR BULASCO 14 (OD,BF) D Murray Smith 6-11-10
A Maguire
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TRAINERS: I Campbell, 3 winners from 7 runners, 42 9%; D Murray Smith, 3 from 10, 30 0%, R Hollinshead, 24 from 85, 28.2%; Mrs N Macquisty, 3 from 14, 21.4%, R Weaver, 11 from 53, 20.8%; D Burcholl, 4 from 34, 11 8% JOCKEYS: A Orkney, 5 winners from 9 ndes, 55.6%; R Campbell, 5 from 18, 27.8%; J Corkell, 5 from 19, 28.3%; Dale McKeown, 5 from 20, 25.0%, G McCourt, 4 from 19, 21.1%; S Wynne, 11 from 81, 18.0%.

Lingfield Park

1.55 1, Granite Boy (15-8 fav); 2, Trump (9-2); 3, Witches Coven (3-1) 7 ran.
2.25 1, Invocation (9-1); 2, Toshba Comet (13-8 | I-lav); 3, Mac's Fighter (13-8 | I-lav); 9 ran.
2.55 1, Tanfith (5-2); 2, Rapporteur (8-11 fav); 3, Rising Tempo (50-1), 6 ran.
3.25 1, Pytchley Night (4-1 lav); 2, Super Sally (9-2); 3, Martini Executive (8-2), 11 ran.

# Sandown Park

Going: good to firm (chase course): good, good to firm in back streight (hurdles) 2.00 (2m 18yd ch) 1, Ameri King (Capt C Ward-Thomas, 5-4): 2. Berbridge (4-5 fay), 3, Maybe Baby (10-1), 3 ran, Ni., 10t. T Forster Tote: £2.10 DF: £1.20. CSF: \$2.55. 2.80 (2m hole) 1, Copper Mine (J Os-borna, 28 fav); 2, Lucky Valein (20-1); 3, Grey Hussar (7-1), 6 ran 1/41, 81, O Sher-wood Tote £1.20; £1 10, £4.10. DF £7 80 CSF £6.41.

D 80 CSr 103/6 3.05 (2m hdle) 1, Kettl (Mr G Lews, 7-1): 2, Five Lamps (13-2); 3, Ben Zabeedy (5-1) Top Javaim 9-4 fav. 10 can 114, 114) D Wilsems Tole, 97-30; 16.0, 52-40, 52-10. DF: 521.40 CSF: \$49.95 Tricest 5229.85. 3.35 (3n 118yd ch) 1, Brown Windsor (R Durwoody, 100-30), 2, The Leggett (4-1), 3, Golden Fox (11-4) Pegwell Bay 7-4 fav. 5 ran. 3, 6i N Henderson Tote: £3.90; £1.80, £2.30 (DF. £10.90 CSF. £14.41. 4.10 (2m hdie) 1, King Credo (A Magure, 9-2), 2, Rodeo Sar (8-2); 3, Spinning (7-4 fav) 10 ran 2144, 31 S Woodman Total 24 60: 51: 40, £2.50, £1.30. DF 28.00. Trio: 58.00. CSF £24.65. Tricast: £44.87

4.40 (2m 18yd ch) 1, Buck Willow (D Mur-phy, 2-7 tay); 2, Bumpitous Boy (13-2); 3, Hicketton Lad (6-1), 3 ran 101, 41 J Gritord Tote £1.30, DF: £1.70, CSF 12 17
5.10 (2m flat) 1, Martin's Lamp (J Ayres, 25-1), 2, Deependable (25-1), 3, The Glow (8-1), Odysseus 7-2 fav. 3 ran. 65, 5, J Gifford Tote: £63.30; £12.50, £5.80, 12.20 OF 1962.00, CSF, £542.59, Jackpot, £1,832.10. Placepot, £40.80,

Chepstow

1.00 1. Petosku (14-1), 2, Ang Of Fortune (4-5 fav); 3, Mister Mejor (15-1), 8 ran. 1.30 1. Book Of Gold (5-1), 2, Time Star (12-1), 3. L. Forever (33-1), Among Frienda, Code Dodger 4-1 Hahas, 13 ran. 2.00 1. Carobee (6-4 fav; Richard Evens's nap), 2, Gallery High (11-1); 3, Mighty Megui (2-1), 8 ran. NR- Current Express, Wolver Gold

3.00 1, Riverside Boy (2-7 tav); 2, Buddington (8-1); 3, Master Muck (12-1), 8 nm.

3.30 1, Castigliero (5-4 fav, Thunderer's nap); 2, Medifator (11-1); 3, Winter Haven (9-1), 12 ran Doncaster

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2.10 1, Raswel (5-2); 2, Royal Progress (4-1); 3, Cool Duide (33-1) Hudson Bay Trader 2-1 tav. 9 ran.

2.40 1, Flakey Dove (4-5 tav.), 2, Hypnosis (4-1); 3, Holdenby (7-2), 5 ran.

3.15 1, Tom Glapton (1-10 fav); 2, Dalestic (10-1), 3 sally Fay (25-1), 4 ran.

3.45 1, Eight Springs (12-1); 2, Old Appleach (85-40 Fav); 3, Wigtown Bay (7-2) 6 ran.

4.20 1, Duncan (5-4 (4-lev); 2, Querrin Lodge (50-1); 3, Mejuba Read (16-1), Lishary Lab 4-1, Hav. 8 ran. NR: Katsaville, 4.50 1, Sir Noddy (9-4), 2, Comhempton (16-1); 3, Vindian (7-4 lav), 7 ran.

5.20 1, Osenosis (100-30); 2, Stormhead (13-8 fav); 3, Hondeghern (6-1), 7 ran. NR: Belly Elston.

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A. 15. Sweet City (7-1); 2. Normanis (7-2 lay); 3. Abytibizer (19-1); 8. Normanis (7-1); 8. Normanis (7-2); 8. Normanis (7-2); 8. Normanis (7-2); 9. Normanis (7-2);

ran 3.55 1. Appealing Times (5-1); 2. Domest, sky (8-1); 3. Predictable (3-1 tay), 8 ran. 4.25 1. Carlingford (9-1); 2. Postage Stamp (2-1 tay); 3. Aude La Belle (9-4), 11 ran NR. Conjuring Point-to-point, page 23 RACELINE 0891-168+ ALL RESULTS 168 ALL COMMENTARIES 268 BEFORE THE OFF

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# Pakistan fall foul of unfair rules on rain

CRICKET CORRESPONDENT IN BRISDANE

PAKISTAN are the stark under-achievers of this World Cup and, as such, they do not merit a semi-final place. But if it transpires that vesterday's defeat at the Gabba is crucial to their elimination, they will have cause to join the aggrieved detractors of the rule governing rain interference.

We shall never know what the outcome would have been if Pakistan's pursuit of 212 to beat South Africa had run its natural course. But we may assume it would have been

needing another 138 from 28 overs on one of the better batting pitches this tournament has seen, when Brisbane served up a typically angry storm. By the time the skies had cleared and the puddles subsided, the equation was rather different.

Fourteen overs, one hour's worth, were lopped off the Pakistan entitlement but their target was reduced by only 18 runs, the sum from South Africa's 14 least profitable overs.

It was as unfair as had been England's revised target against Pakistan a week ago, or India's against Australia. And, although nobody could accuse Imran Khan's team of a meek surrender, it predictably fell short, by 21 runs. The expression on Imran's face, as he strode wordlessly from the ground within minutes of the end, told exactly how he viewed the matter.

\*BRISEXNE SCOREBOARD



Flying finish: Rhodes, the outstanding South African fieldsman, wrecks the stumps of Inzamam-ul-Haq, the Pakistan batsman, at Brisbane

If the resolution was unsatisfactory, the consquences could be dramatic. South Africa, unconsidered by most when the competition began, may now reach the last four simply by beating Zimbabwe tomorrow. One further win, from their two remaining mes, would make certain. Pakistan, by contrast, must win their last three matches, starting with Wednesday's against Australia.

Sympathy for Pakistan

Salim Malik c Donald b Kuper
Masim Alarma Snelb e Kuper
Masim Alarma Snelb e Kuper
Jjaz Ahmed a Rhodes b Kuper
Jjaz Ahmed na out
Mushtag Ahmed na out
Lighel Skander not out
Extras (B 2. w 17, m) 1)
Total (8 wide, 36 overs)

134. 5-185, 6-157, 7-185, 6-170. BCWILING: Donald 7-1-3-1-0 (w?): Pringle 7-0-31-0 (w3), nb1); Snell 6-2-28-1 (w1): MoNiter 7-0-34-2 (w4); Kupper 6-0-40-3 (w2): Crope 1-0-9-0. South Africa, won by 20 runs (winning margin delarmined after right by revesed totals from highest-souring 38 ovens: South Africa 1985. Parkistan 173-8).

must be muted. They did, after all, win the toss and one can only surmise that Imran had beard the early-morning weather forecast of unbroken sunshine rather than the update of unscheduled rain.

Imran's tactic was undermined by Wasim Akram's continuing inability to control the new ball - he has now bowled 27 wides in five games — and by a fielding display which looked spectacularly shouldy even before it contrasted with South Africa's slickness.

That South Africa failed to make more than 211 was symptomatic. Four times now, they have batted first, never straying from within a dozen of 200. It has put a strain on their bowlers, to which they have mostly re-sponded, but, as Wessels said: "Our batting is a problem. We should have got 230 today.

Once they had elected to cope without Jimmy Cook, it always seemed likely that their batting would depend unhealthily on Wessels and Kirsten. Yesterday, Wessels. on one of his many former home grounds failed for the fourth successive game and Kirsten was not there to patch up and plunder. He has a calf strain, which will now be rested until Thursday's match ble as Wasim Akram in spraying the ball profligately

against England. Two partnerships sustained them. Hudson, fluent off the back foot, put on 67 with Rushmere and, after four wickets had gone down for 29 in mid-innings, Cronje and McMillan added 71 in 12 overs of sensible batting.

Pakistan's problems were encapsulated by one ball dur-ing the penultimate over. Aqib Javed had Richardson caught, only to discover he had bowled another no-ball. When the wicketkeeper lobbed the ball back to him. he missed the catch and it hit him on the forehead. Agib went to hospital for an x-ray. which found no damage. Imran, silently ranting over the shortcomings of his side, might have gone for a

From John Woodcock

IN HAMILTON

THE luck veered India's way

in the World Cup at Hamil-

ton on Saturday, and not

before time. It was their turn

to benefit from the regulation

which puts a side batting

second at an instant disad-

vantage as soon as its innings

is interrupted.

Rhodes sprinting in from cover, ball in hand, and launching himself on to the stumps to run out Inzamum by inchimran then had to es. "It was pretty special," reorganise his batting order

Javed Miandad, who has a stomach disorder serious enough to raise doubts about his future in the competition. South Africa did their best to help. Donaid was as cuipa-

158, which left them winners

of the match by a wholly

West Indies were outbowled,

outbatted and outfielded by

New Zealand, never more so

Yesterday, in Auckland,

implausible 54 runs.

Paidetan 220-2 (Ramic Raja 102, Javed Miandad 57 not out), West Indies 221-0 (D. L. Haynes 93 not out, B.C. Lare 88 retired hurt). Zimbebwe 313-4 (C. Lare 88 retired hurt). Zimbebwe 313-8 (S. Rower 115 not out, A.C. Waller 83 not out, K. J. Arnott 52), Sri Lanka 31-7 (A. Ramatunga 88 not out, M. A. Ramatunga 88 not out, M. A. Ramatunga 88 not out, M. A. Ramatunga 89, Sri Larka 20-6 (R. S. Mahanama 80), New Zealand 210-4 (R. R. Rutherford 65 not out, J. G. Wright 57), Australia 170-8, South Ahrica 171-1 (K.C. Wessele 81 not out).

West Indias 187 (K LT Arthurton 54), England 180-4 (G A Gooch 65, G A Hick 54). Paktatar 254-4 (Asmar Schall 114, Jeved Missada 39), Zmbabve 201-7. India 1-5 v Sri Lenks — no result. West Indias 254-8 (S C Lena 72, C L Hoophton 55, Smbabve 189-7 (A Shah 60 not out, D L Houghton 55, Bouth Africa 180-7 (P N Kirsten 90), New Zealand 181-3 (M J Greetbatch 68, R T Latham 60), Australia 237-9 (D M Jones 90), India 234 (M Azharuddin 33), Paldatan 74, England 24-1 — no neut. South Africa 185-8 i Lanka 196-7 (R S Mahanama 66, A Ranatunga 64 not out), New Zealand 182-3 (M D Crowe 74 not out, A H Jones 57). nwe 74 not out, A H Jones monthwe 105 J.

India 216 (8 R Tendulkar 54 not out), Pekistan 173 (Aarner Schail 52), South Africa 200-8 [P N Kirsten 58), Weet Indies 136 (A L Logie 61; M W Pringle 4 lor 11), Australia 171 (7 M Moody 51; 17 Botham 4 for 31), England 173-2 (G A Gooch 56, 17 Botham 33), India 203-7 (8 R Tendulkar 61), Zimbabwe 104-1, Sri Lanka 189-8 (P A De Silve 62), Australia 180-3 (G A Merah 60, T M Moody 57), Weet Indies 203-7 (8 C Lans 52), New Zealend 206-5 (M D Crowe 82), New Zealend 206-5 (M D Crowe 81) not out, M J Grestbatch 53), South not out, M J Grestbatch 53), South

making 76 for one in their

come then, West Indies

would have won by a ridicu-

lous 50 runs. If you can make

any sense of that, and see the

justice, it is more than the

sides that are here can. In as

important a competition as

this, a spare day should surely

Saturday's was the second

successive match for Zimba-

bwe in which the weather

gave them little chance. Once

again, Tendulkar played the

best innings for India. At the

ripe old age of 18 he is now

the mainstay of their batting.

At the other end of the line,

Traicos, rising 45, showed

that it matters not how slowly

you bowl, nor off how short a

run, so long as the control and resourcefulness are there.

189 was about 50 too few.

Australia could afford their

plodding start before

Ramanayake conceded 20 in

two overs, allowing the horse

to bolt. Sri Lanka needed

early wickets and once

Moody survived a leg-before,

Moody can hit hard and

straight and has been picked

to give Geoff Marsh time to

settle. Here Marsh scored 60

in 113 balls, mostly with

new tricks, realises that his

team must show greater en-

terprise and is insisting upon

a settled side and an extra

batsman, so that players do

not set quite so high a priority

Border, an old dog learning

their hopes evaporated.

right-hand punches.

have been set aside.

HOCKEY

### Havant's title is retained in style

Havant. East Grinstead ......

By Sydney Friskin

HAVANT achieved a devastating victory over East Grinstead yesterday to win the first division championship in the Pizza Express National League for the second year in succession.

To those who watched their 1-1 draw with Hounslow on Saturday, success came a day late. But the manner in which the win was obtained made it

worth waiting for. Havant converted four of their five short corners, the first three in a row in the 11th. 22nd and 27th minutes. Cooper, Faulkner and Hill setting up the chances for

East Grinstead never recovered and two minutes after the interval. Williams, who was outstanding, started a run which culminated in Coleman scoring on the fol-

Although, two minutes later, Mahmood Bham seized on a moment of slackness to cut the deficit Faulkner soon forced Havant's fifth short corner and this time Hill converted it, following with a goal in the 65th minute from a penalty stroke. Williams scored the seventh.

Havant will not only be in Amsterdam next month for the European championship but have also qualified for a place in Europe again next

HAVANT: S. Rowlands; S. Lawson. D. Roberts, R. Hill, D. Faulkner, G. Roberts, M. Colomon, R. Garcia. D. Williams, P. Nali, C. Cooper EAST GRINSTEAD: D Luckes, P Walls, D Mulling, R Organ, R Leman, A Looke, S Battonico, P. Hand J Can, R Carl, Mannwood fres: M Greham (Northern Countes) P Broughton (Eastern Countes)

### Hopes of double deflated

HOUNSLOW, who had hopes of the season's league and cup double, finished runners-up to Havant in the Pizza Express National League yesterday after a 4-2 victory Friskin writes). first 15 overs. Yet if rain had

Hounslow's fortunes dwindied after a I-1 draw on Saturday with Havant a missed penalty stroke by Potter proving costly. In an excit-ing second half. Thompson scored for Hounslow in the fiftieth minute and Garcia for Havant, two minutes later. In yesterday's match, Hacker and Thompson scored two goals apiece for Hounslow, with Halliday and Woods re-

plying for St Albans. Stourport finished third after a 5-0 victory over Indian Gymkhana, who will be relegated with Lyons to the second division.

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#### England gain valuable lift to confidence

BY ALLX RAMSAY

ENGLAND won the home countries under-21 tournsment in Dumfries yesterday and boosted their confidence before the women's European

Cup in August. They had got off to a flying start on Saturday, opening with a 4-0 pounding of Wales, thanks to three goals from Lucy Youngs, and followed up with a 3-0 victory over Ireland

England had to wait until the 34th minute of the deciding matchagainst Scotland before making the breakthrough. Leisa King started the move with Youngs to set up Jo Green for the goal. Helen Paxton equalised for

Scotland inside a minute and the Scots applied heavy pres-Sure after the interval, only for England to score on the break with a lob from Green after a penalty corner.

# Crowe inspires fifth win for N Zealand

FROM JOHN WOODCOCK IN AUCKLAND

NEW Zealand won here yesterday and in doing so made virtually certain of a place in the semi-finals of the World Cup. Needing 204 for their fifth victory in a row, they got them with five wickets and nine balls to spare, thanks to another masterly innings by Martin Crowe and a second explosive one from Mark Greatbatch.

On successive weekends at Eden Park, New Zealand have beaten Australia, South Africa and now West Indies, and there is a song in the air. Having been put in. West Indies made 65 in 19 overs before they lost a wicket; but they were never as well-placed again, confidently as Lara played and despite two wonderfully good opening overs from Ambrose and Marshall when New Zealand batted. By winning their last three

matches — against India, Sri

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-85, 2-85, 3-100, 4-136, 5-142, 6-156, 7-201

Lanka and Australia - West Indies could still reach the semi-finals, but to do so they will need to start playing a lot better than they are at the moment. Richardson looks to be finding captaincy too much for him. When West Indies were in the field and

there was a five-minute stoppage in play, caused by unruliness in the crowd, after New Zealand had stormed to 67 for no wicket off 11 overs, the West Indians came together in a huddle. Richardson had a crisis on his hands; but it was Haynes who did the talking, and to him that the side

New Zealand were noticeably better drilled. Their bowling was opened again by Patel, whose five opening overs of off breaks cost only seven runs. Much thought had also gone into the fields which Crowe placed for

NEW ZEALAND

Total (5 wias, 48.2 overs) 206 G R Larsen, †I D S Smith. D K Morrison and W Watson did not bet. FALL OF WICKEYS: 1-67, 2-67, 3-100, 4-135, 5-174.

BOWLING; Ambrose 10-1-41-1 (w3); Marshall 9-1-35-0 (nb1, w1); Cummers 10-0-53-2 (w1); Berlamin 9-3-3-34-2; Hooper 10-0-36-0.

New Zealand won by 5 wkts
Umpires: K F Leibenberg (SA) and P J
McConnell (Aus).

AUCKLAND SCOREBOARD

Haynes and Lara, especially in the first 15 overs, when nine of the side had to be inside the circle.

Just as he had on the same ground against South Africa, Greatbatch waded into the West Indian attack as soon as he had started to lay bat on ball. He and Latham scored 35 off eight overs and 53 off 10. Never can Marshall have been hit for as long a six over long off as he was in his third over by Greatbatch. It was all too much for Ambrose, who, unable to resort to bowling bouncers, told Greatbatch what he thought of him.

Greatbatch was eventually third out, caught on the cover boundary in the 25th over with the score at 100. New Zealand still had a good deal to do; too much, quite likely, if Crowe got out. But nothing has had more to do with their success so far than Crowe's rediscovery of his finest form. He needed help, which he got, in turn, from Rutherford, Harris and Patel; but, compared with their captain, the others were journeymen.

Crowe looked an exceptional player, never more so than when, time after time, he feathered the ball between slip and gully. In five World Cup innings, he has now scored 263 runs and been out only once. And the bowler to be too good for him? Sri Lanka's Pramodya Wickremasinghe, with a long hop which Crowe hooked hard highest-scoring overs came to

with the runs by the team

batting first for the equivalent

number of highest scoring

overs". After 19.1 overs, In-

dia had, in fact, been 106 for

three, only two runs more

than Zimbabwe. But their 19

and, of the first 20 runs, 12

came from wides and no-

balls. Asmir and Zahid put

on 50 in 14 overs before both

That pattern was repeated

twice more in the increasingly

implausible run hunt.

I nzamum, who struck the ball

sweetly, and Imran were out

in the same over after a third-

wicket stand of 85; then Sa-

lim Malik and Wasim

Akram, the last hopes, fell in

an over from Kuiper which

yielded nine runs, three wick-

A match of much mediocre

cricket left one magical mem-ory, that of the dashing Jonty

ets and a dropped catch.

were out within four balls.

When rain stopped play soon after 5pm local time, Zimbabwe were 104 for one and going well in pursuit of India's 203 for seven. A wer morning had seen the match reduced to 32 overs a side. With the return of the rain,

and, soon afterwards, the abandonment of play, the runs scored by the team batting second, namely Zimbabwe, had "to be compared

FROM PETER ROBBUCK

IN ADELAUDE

JUDGING by the elation

shown by Dean Jones on scor-

ing the winning run with 36

balls and seven wickets to

spare, Australia were vastly

relieved to beat Sri Lanka and

to secure a second win in a

competition they had confi-

dently expected to dominate.

ago, when beating Sri Lanka.

especially after winning the

toss on a grudging pitch.

would have provoked nothing

more than a pat on the back.

Apart from McDermott and

Mike Whitney, Australia's

bowling was adequate rather

than dynamic. Helped by a

gripping pitch, Peter Taylor

It was not a fluent victory.

Time was, and not so long

than when New Zealand were

Total (7 wids, 32 overs) \_\_\_\_\_\_ 203 M Prabhakar and S L V Raju did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-43, 3-66, 4-168, 5-170, 6-182, 7-184,

and Allan Border found turn,

but neither can count on

being so respectfully treated

hereafter. Australia's bowiing

still appears vulnerable.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-79.

India's fortunes take a turn

Total (1 wid, 18.1 overs) 104
A J Pycroft, "D L Houghton, A D R
Campbell, E A Brandes, 1P Butchert, M G
Burnester, A J Traidos and K G Duers did

BOWLING: Prebheiser 3d-14-0 (w1); Repill Bow 4-0-6-0 (w2); Srimath 4-0-20-0 (w1); Tendulker 6-0-35-1 (w1); Reju 2.1-0-17-0. India won by 55 nine (winning mergin determined after rain by revised totals from highest-ecoring 16 overse india 188-4, Zimbalowa 103-1). Umpiret: D P Busitjens (Sri Lissis) and S Q Rendali (Aus)

Relieved Australia stay in contention to support de Silva and their Sri Lanka's challenge was spiked by Athula Samerasekera, who ran out Mahanama and lost his own wicket to a swipe. They failed

> ADELADIES CONTRACTOR G R Mersh c Ausresh b Kelpage . T M Woody c Mahamata b Wickermasinghe ..... M E Waugh c Mahamasinghe ..... D Wickermasinghe ..... SRI LANKA S Mahaneme run oui
> A R Samarasekera c Healy b Taylor
> P Gurushna Bow b Whitney
> A De Silva c Moody b McDematt
> Ranstunga c Janes b Taylor
> T Jayasurte bow b Border
> 1 Jayasurte bow b Border
> 4 P Tillekeratine run out. H P Tillekerathe run out ...... R S Kelpage run out ........ C H P Ramanayake run out Total (9 wkts, 50 overs)

G P Wickemasinghe did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-28, 3-72, 4-123, 5-151, 6-163, 7-166, 8-182, 9-189. BOWLING McDermott 10-0-28-1 (w1): 3 Waugh 7-0-34-0 (w4, nb1), Whitney 10-3-26-1, Moody 3-0-18-0; Taylor 10-0-34-2; Border 10-0-40-1.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-120, 2-130, 3-165. BOWLING. Wickermeeinghe 10-8-29-2 (nb), w1): Ramanayako 9-1-44-0 (nb2, w2): Angrasin 100-13-0: Gutushina 60-20-0; Ramatunga 1-0-11-0; Kaipaga 8-0-41-Australia won by 7 wkts."

# A fitting venue for an

Canberra: The future of priate that the first official

There will, however, be more than local pride at stake at the homely Manuka Oval. South Africa are seeking to step up their bid for a semifinal place and Zimbabwe aim to achieve their first points of the competition.

The opening batsman. Andy Flower, aged 23, has stood out for Zimbabwe, making 200 runs at 56.67 in the Cup so far, and David Houghton, his captain, said: He is a class bat, he has played well, scoring quickly when he has to, or building an innings."

"This is a special match for us." Houghton said, "We are looking forward to it." Zimbabwe hope to have the batsmen. Wayne James and Kevin Arnott, available after recovering from finger injuries. (Reuter).

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# Fordham may switch to England A tour

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN ST GEORGE'S, GRENADA

ALAN Fordham, the Northamptonshire batsman, who is touring the Leeward Islands with MCC, has been put on stand-by to join the injurystricken England A side. Malcolm and Bicknell were the latest casualties yesterday when England were reduced to ten fit players as the threeday game with the Windward Islands drifted to a quiet end. Malcolm had spasms in his back before the start of Saturday's play. He responded to treatment and in mid-after-

noon, in fact, bowled at his

fastest. Overnight, though,

took no further part in the match.

Bicknell strained a thigh muscle in the field on Saturday while Pick and Johnson are still being treated for groin strains. But Hussain's fractured finger seems to be mending well.

England's next game is a three-day match against Trinidad in Point-a-Pierre on Tuesday and it will be decided whether to summon Fordham towards the end of that match. David Millns, of Leicestershire, is the official reserve should a replacement fast bowler be needed. After playing in South Africa.

his back stiffened up and he Millns is back in England. On the other hand, Neil Williams and Tony Pigott are with MCC and match fit.

England, resuming at 27 for one, were unable to score as quickly as they would have wished on the final morning as the Windwards barely averaged 14 overs an hour. the

nightwatchman, was soon out but Morris struck the ball smoothly until he lifted a catch to extra cover. Ramprakash and Thorpe then settled into a steady fourth-wicket stand.

On Saturday Eugene and Murray provided the main

resistance to the English bowlers. Rhodes was seen at his best with three catches and two stumpings.

ENGLAND A: First innings
D J Bednetl e Murray b Charles
'H Morra e Joseph b Allen
M R Rempresen e Murray b Devis
G P Thorpe e Charles b Cuffy
J P Stephenson e Charles b Allen
'S J Rajedes a Komsta b Davis
R D B Croft e and b Kentsh
D D C Cork b Kentsh
JD X Salisbury low b Allen
S Wattun b Allen D G Cork b Kentish

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Extras Total . ....

BOWLING Allen 20-4 58-4, Davis 18-1-47-2, Culty 15-4-42-1, Lewis 5-0-26-0, Kentish 18-3-5-47-2, Charles 6-0-29-1. Second Impings
O J Broknell o Murray to Allen
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FALL OF WICKETS 1 105, 2-137, 3-195, 4 195, 5-225, 6-338, 7-238, 8-258, 9-258 Total (8 wkts dec) ... BOWLING, Malcolm 17-0-83-3: Watkin 16-4-42-1\* Cork 17-7-35-1\* Salisbury 21-5-63-2\* Croff 5-0-16-0, Stephenson 1 5-0-10-1 Umpires G Johnson and G T Browne.

1D K Salisbury c and b Allen ..... J P Stephenson, S J Rhodes, R D B Croft, D G Cork S L Walkin and D E Malcolm to FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27.-2-37. 3-71 WINDWARD ISLANDS: First Innings 

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South Africa has exercised the minds of the politicians of Canberra more than anybody in Australia in the past 20 years. So, it is perhaps appromeeting with their African neighbours. Zimbabwe, is in the federal Capital tomorrow.

Selectors gain valuable pointers for summer-tour party

# Great Britain hand out lesson to weak France

Great Britain. BY KEITH MACKLIN ...

AIDED and abetted by a disappointing French team. who showed none of the spirit and skill they had displayed at Perpignan, Great Britain's reshaped team convincingly won the British Coal World Cup match at the Boulevard, High In doing so they ex-tended their points-difference over New Zealand to 115, which should be enough to ensure a final against Australia at Wembley in October if remaining results go to form, and if the International Board does not decide to ignore points-difference and

insists on a play-off. There was so many absen-tees through injury, including Hanley. Schofield, Offiah by no means certain. However, the so-called makeshift side did a splendid job for the coach, Malcolm Reilly.

The ill-wind of injuries that blew all week through the

British camp, ironically, filled stalls of two players anxious to impress Relly as he considers his choices for the summer tout. Powell, who has been playing loose forward for Sheffield Eagles, and has played centre in international matches for Reilly, had an oustanding game at statistion of half in partnership with the industrious captain and organiser. Edwards.

organiser, Edwards. Powell's breaks, sure handling and perfectly imedpasses under pressure were a revelation. In the centre, the Welshman from Watrington, Bateman, had an excellent international debut, searching for gaps and driving through them. Hunte, another player



making his first appearance, made the most of it by scoring a try, from Baltiman's inside bass. If the pace, the hooker, Dermoit, had his best game in Builsh calous, crowned with a try, and Holliday had another constructive game at loose him and, also rewarded with a try.

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Eastwood, until recently the first-choice wing and goalkicker, rounded off smooth passing to get a try in the corner and kicked six goals, and Fox, a substitute, got the last try after a move with Edwards.

SCORES: Great Britain: Tries: Holiday, Eastwood, Plait, Hunia, Dernot, Fox, Goals: Eastwood (6), GREAT BRITAIN: G- Expedimen (Cardelord): P Eastwood (Full), G GREAT BRITAIN: G. Expediment (Castistos): P. Fessewood (Full), G. Connolly (St. Heisral), A. Dammen (Warrington, subt. D. Fox, Featherstone (Novers), A. Horine (St. Heisral): P. Powell (Stellind): Explent, S. Edwards (Wigen); K. Crooks (Castistord), M. Dermott (Wigen); K. Sterrett (Wigen); M. Featherst (Bradford Morthern, subt. S. McNiemers, Hull). L.



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Paul: striving for Olympic improvement

# Paul on his way to fourth Games

STEVEN Paul booked his ticket to a fourth Olympic Games by qualifying for the British fencing squad on Saturday, finishing in the top 32 in the Challenge Martini epec tournament and clearing the first hurdle in his comeback season (Alix Ramsay writes).

Paul lost to Paulo Milanoli, of Italy, in the repechage when, at the age of 38 and with only three weeks' training behind him, he ran out of steam. He is happy with his technique but plans a tough fitness regime to try to better his thirteenth place, in Los Angeles in 1984. Arnd Schmitt, of Ger-

many, the gold medal-win-ner in Secol in 1988, was beaten in the semi-finals by Robert Felisiak, a Polborn German, who in turn lost in the final to Vladimir Resnitschenko, a Russian-born German.

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**ATHLETICS** 

### Krabbe is backed on cheat claims

Bonn: Katrin Krabbe could not have cheated in the drug test that led to her four-year ban, according to her teammate, Sigrun Grau-Woders, the Olympic 800 metres

Grau-Woders, who was also training in South Africa in January with Krabbe, Silke Möller and Grit Breuer, told the newspaper, Mitteldeutscher Express, that Krabbe, the double world champion, had no time to exchange urine samples when the test was carried out.

"We went directly from the track to the point where the urine samples were to be tak-en," she said. "I went into the toilets first and the other three

"It's impossible that my colleagues would have cheated because they would not have had the time to have con-cealed a container of urine about them and if they had done so beforehand it would have been clearly affected during the training session."

Meanwhile, the controversy over the urine samples grew on Saturday when the newspaper. Bild, published photographs of the drug-test documents, which suggested that the test was not carried out in strict accordance with regulation procedure. (AFP)

WINDSURFING

### Breezes too light for good sport

THE first grand prix-level event of the 1992 New West world tour, held at Almanarre, France, suffered a frustrating week of light

Bjoern Dunkerbeck, the reigning world champion, and Thorki Kristensen, of Denmark, each won a race while Britt Dunkerbeck dominated the women's section.

IN BRIEF

# Cyphers stay the top club

Cyphers, of Beckenham, won the Haven-Commercial Union inter-club bowls championship for the fourth time at Lawson Park, Bedford, yesterday, defeating Darlington, who were making their first appearance in the final, 70-60.

They were nine shots up with two ends to play, and Andy Thomson, four or five down against David Ramsdale, drew the shot to save Cyphers having to play an awkward last end.

#### Training crash

Cycling: Six members of the American Motorola team crashed when a lorry forced them off the road during a training ride in. Greg Moens, from Belgium, was knocked unconscious.

#### Jones first

the revived Polytechnic Mar-athon from Windsor to London in 2hr 22min 52sec, four-minutes ahead of Herne Hill's Basil Brown.

Athletics: Hugh Jones won

#### Hendry best

Snooker: Stephen Hendry, world No. 1, defeated Joe Johnson 4-0 to win the Canal Plus European Challenge in

#### Second try

Boxing: Wally Swift, the Brit-ish light-middleweight cham-pion, meets John Claud Fontana for the European title, at Hyeres, near Toulon, on April 18. He suffered eye injuries training for his first challenge on February 12.

#### Titles decided

Skäing: Katja Selzinger, of Germany, won the penulti-mate women's World Cup downitill at Vail, Colorado, to clinch the downhill title. At Panorama, British Colum-bia, Daniel Mahrer, of Switzerland, won the men's downhill but his compatriot, Franz Heinzer, fifth, retained the World Cup downhill title.

#### Jahangir out

Squash rackets: Jahangir Khan said in Karachi he would not defend the British Open this he has won for a record ten years in

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# ATHLETICS. SMISELFINGEN, Germany: Institutional indoor meeting: Winters: Marc 888; L. Christie (68), 6556e. Trips: Jump: M. Conito: (US), 17.03m. Wooner: 60h; J. Conito: (US), 17.03m. Wooner: 60h; J. Christo: (Jen), 7.08mo. 8,000m: 1, M. Rétzog (Hom), brish 59.34eac. POLYTECHNIC MARATHON (Windown to Chiawidth 1, H Jones (Panelson), 217 22min 52sec; 2, B Brown Fierra Hill, 527-10; 3, T Hisnes (Swittnes), 25025. Vetorum: 5 Coll a (Citydon), 254-28. Name of the state of the state

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RADIMINTON STOCKHOLM: Swedish Open chariptonshipe: Men's singles: Third round: P.E. Hoyer-Larsen (Oark) bt Ewee Mun: Wong (Malaysis), 15-9, 15-1; Kim Halkyun (S Kor), 15-10, 15-13; L. Lindelof (Fin) bt C. Thomsen (Den), 15-11, 15-18, 17-14; Park Sung-woo (S Kor) bt P. Jantill (Fin), 15-11, 15-8; F. Pennyadi (Grad) bt P. Austisson (Swe), 8-15, 15-10, 15-4; Lee Kwang-lin (S Koras) bt M Sogard (Den), 15-4, 10-4, ret. J. Chason (Swe) wo T Stuar-Lauridsen (Den), acr Quarter-linelis: Hoyer-Larrier's Kim, 13-18, 15-5, 15-10; Olsson bt Lindelof, 15-1, 15-5; Pennyadi bt Park, 15-11, 15-6; Lee bt Olsson, 15-5, 15-12; Senthinals; Höyer-Larrier bt Olsson, 15-8, 15-7; Pennadi bt Lee, 15-11, 16-11. Finalt: Höyer-Larrien bt Perhadi, 18-15, 15-3. Women's singles: Second round: Yeng

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GARLESERS LEAGUE: New First division: Derby Bucks 74, London Towers 79;
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Knicks 107, Charlotte Homets 79; Washfington Bulletis 94, Minimatics Bucks 90;
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119; Sectios SuperSonics 108, New
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Vigor (Croydon), 21-8; L Thomat
(Riversin, Hitchin) bt J Shranons (City of
Ely), 21-7; D Hankin (Wey Valley,
Guictord) bt E Beaseli (Yeovil), 21-16; P
Wright (Denington) bt R Dening (Bannister Park, Southampton), 21-18, SamiRhale: Hentiin bt Wright, 21-20; Thomas
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Prymouth Civil Service, 19-18, Two-sebod
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bt Whitelerights (Reacting), 17-19, Samifinals: Temple bt Preston (Brighton), 17-10; Bentham bt Tilbury, 18-11, Finalt
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swymour (Ely), 21-16; L Habtett (Torbay)
bt N Trumann (Pertiswell), 21-19; B Laser
(Hairdy Cross) bt J Moran (Sunderland),
21-15; Semi-finals: Issathson bt Smith, 274; Hischett bt Laver, 21-2.
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national club chemploneships Serifistrant 2: A Blais 16; I Campbell 31; J
Cunningham 19, A Monthyre 11).
SMiRBA HOME COUNTIES LEAGUEHerifordshire 142, Kent 179; Surrey 187,
Bustey 95; Buckinghainshire 117, Essex

COUNTY MATCHES: Barkshire 163, 8.srby 95; Buckinghamshire 117, Essex 104. FENCING

SEYMOUR HALL London: Challenge Martin/ Epée competitiot: Clushter-finals: V Resnitachenico (Ger) bt M Pereira (Sp.), 8-4, 7-6; O Jaquet (Swiftz) bt Fermi (Sp.), 5-2, 5-2, A Schmitt (Ger) bt M Statiensand (Ger), 6-5, 5-6, 8-4, Smithiate Resnitachenico bt Jaquet, 6-5, 5-3; Felialak bt Schmitt, 5-3, 6-1. Finals: Resnitachenico bt Felialak, 6-1, 5-2.

THE PARKS: University match: Men: Oxford 4, Cambridge 5; Oxford 8 9, Cambridge 8 3, Women: Oxford 5, Cambridge 6; Oxford 8 4, Cambridge 8 12. WATER POLO WISHAW: Home International championstrips: Sentore Soutend 22, Ireland 12, Water 10, England 16; Scotland 19, Water 11; England 18; Scotland 19, England 9, Final placings: 1, Scotland 19, England 9, Final placings: 1, Scotland 10, England: 3, Weles: 1, Ireland, Junior: Scotland: 13, England: 10; Ireland: 12, Scotland: 13, England: 17, Ireland: 4, Final placings: 1, England: 2, Scotland: 3, Baland.

FOOTBALL. Late results on Friday
BARCLAYS LEAGUE: Second division:
Transpers 2, Port Vels 1. Third division:
Stockport 0, Hertlepool 1; Seransen 0,
West Brownich Albiom 0. Fourth diviBiotre Halliss 3, Carlele 2.
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ENGLISH SCHOOLS' MATCHES:
Addas Trophy: Gloucestershire 0, Devon 5. Border Countlest League: Avch 4.
Somerset 0. Buroleys Under-19 Cup:
Third round: Southend High School 3.
Paston College, Norfolk 0. Dismit Under-16 Trophy: Third round: Raynes Park
High School 1, '81 Clement Dense,
Hertfordshire 1.
BERMAN LEAGUE: Dynamo Dreaden 1,
Borussle: Mondenglachsch 2; Hanse
Rostock 0, Duibburg 0; Schelles 1,
Wettenscheld 1.

FRENCH LEAGUE: Toulon 2, Paris Saint-Gernlein 5. Germein 5. UKRARNAN LEAGUE: Chemomoreta Odesza 2, Kerpsty Lvov 2. OTHER MATCH: Kinternock 1, Sheffield United 0 (abantiorsed 60min, watertogged pitch). GOLF

HCNG KONS: Mea'e Open tournament: Lesting fire! accres: 274: T Watson (US), 65, 68, 68, 74, 277: R Rafferty (GB), 57, 71, 59, 70, 278: B Langer (Ger), 71, 59, 59, 69, 282: T Pernice (US), 71, 74, 71, 68, 283: Helen Yu-situ (Tahwin), 73, 96, 74, 70. 285: Heleh Yu-shu (Talwan), 73, 56, 74, 70.
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SADCHARA, Japan; Delichi Cup: Leading final scores, (Legan unless stated): 207: Chen Tas-ming (Talwan), 68, 71, 70, 79, 276: R Mackey (Aus), 71, 71, 78, 68.

ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHLL: Friday: statisto Sadries S, New Jersey Deville 4; Withinipeg Jets S, Washington Capitals S; Edmonton Oliera S, St. Louis Blues S; Pfatburgh Penguira 7, San Jose Sharts S, Satistoday: Philadelphia Piyers S, New York, Rangers 4; Chicago Bischawks Z. Botston Bruins 1; Vancouver Canucics 5, Haritton Whalers 1; Detroit Red Wings 4, Quebec Nordiques 4 (OT); Washington Capitals 3, New Jersey Devills 2 (OT); Calighy, Flamies S, St. Louis Blues 1; Monifest Canadians 8, New York Island-dire 2; Pfathacy III.

CRICKET SHEFFIELD SHELD (second day): New Bouth Wates 245 and 176-2 (S Small 62 not out, M Beyin 62 not out), Western Australia 71 (David Freedman 4-17, G Natithaws 4-30).



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HARP LAGER FAI CUP: Second round:
Bray Wanderers 1, Galway Uld D; Deny
City 0' Shebourne 1', Drogheds Uld 1,
Cork City 1: 81 James's Gate 1. Faned
Utd 1'; St Prock's as 2 UCO 1: wayside
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PIZZA EXPRESS NATIONAL LEAGUE: Pirst division: Saturday: Bournelle 2, 8t. Albane 1; Bromfley 2, Wetton 1; Base Grinarhaed 2, Cannock 1; Hevent 1; Hounslow 1; Nevent 1; Hevent 1; Hounslow 1; Nevent 1; Hevent 1; Hounslow 1; Nevent 1; Hevent 1; Hevent 1; Hounslow 1; Nevent 1; Hevent 1; Hevent 1; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 2; Hevent 2; Hevent 1; Hevent 3; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 2; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 2; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 1; Hevent 2; Hevent 3; Heve

NORTH EAST LEAGUE: Pirst division: Darlington 2, South Stielde 3; Morpeth 0, Billington 2; Norton 3, Sunderland 3; Stockton 5, Carlisle 1; Tyhedale 2, Tynemouth 1. Postponed: Redcar v Whitehaven. Whitehaven,
DUMFRIES: Women's under-21 four
nations tournament: England 4, Wales 0;
Scotland 3, Ireland 0; Scotland 3, Welss 0;
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Wales flops,
WOMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: Civil Service 5, WRAC 0; WRNS 1,
Civil Service 4; Civil Service 5, WRAC 0 (at
Bisham Abbey), Greet Britsin 3, Leicester
1 (at Liteshall).

MOTOR RALLYING PORTUGUESE RALLY: Final positions:

1. J Kankbunen (Fin), Lancin HF integrale, ohr 24min 37sec; 2. M Blaston (II), Ford Sierre Cosworth, at 1min 33sec; 3. C Salzz (Sp.), Toyota Cellica GT4, at 5:32-5. T Salonen (Fin), Missubishi Gelant V74. at 6:39; 8. F Chahriot (Fr), Nissan Sunty GT1, at 21:04. World championahip: Drivers: 1, Kanklumen, 32;bt; 2, Sainz, 27; equal 3, D Austel (Fr) and M Joneson (Swe), 20: equal 5, Alen and Blaston, 18; 7. C McTale (GS), 15. Constructoris: 1, Lancia, 40; 2, Toyota, 31; 3, Ford, 29; 4, Mitsubishi, 16; 5, Nissan, 12.

SQUASH RACKETS MADRID: Spanish Open: Women: Cuerter-finels: L twing (Aus) bt. H Walace (Can), 15-14, 15-11, 15-12; M Le Mojorser (Eng) bt 3 Wright (Eng), 15-17, 15-17, 15-8, 15-12, 15-3. Semi-finals: S Devoy (NZ) bt M Martin (Aus), 15-9, 15-11, 15-10; Le Mojoran bt Iving, 15-11, 13-15, 15-17, 15-12, 15-6. Final: Devoy bt Le Mojoran, 16-13, 15-17, 15-4, 15-7.

NORDIC SKIING TRONDHEIM, Norway: World Cup combined team event: Sid-kumping: 1, Austria: 1 (M. Pietzs: K. Olher, K. Starward: 1), Delmell, SS1-90; 3, United States (T. Tetresut, R. Heckman, J. Holland), S79-90. Crose country: 1, Austria: 1, 1hr Rmin S9.2sec; 2, Norway 2 (E. B.VIR, T.E. Elden, B.J. Elden), 1-21:55, Japan (R. Mikata, M. Abs. K. Ogiwara), 1:22-32.0.

**REAL TENNIS** J. D. WARD. NATIONAL. LEAGUE: Learnington/Moreton Morrell by Deinhard Oratory, 2-1 (Moreton names first: K. Shetion bi. Howell, 6-6, 6-1; M. Devine bi. M. Hayward, 6-2, 2-6, 6-5; S. Brockenshew bat to M. Eaglie, 4-6, 3-6), Holyport bi. Lloyd and Mills., Hampton Coztz, 2-1 (Holyport names first: C. Lunley lost to G. Forsalden, 1-8, 1-8; H. Lathern bt N. Wood, E-6, 6-6, 6-6; K. King bt T. Warburg, 6-3, 6-8.

READING: Head of the river: 1, Imparial College A, 13min 40esc (open winners); 2. Isls A, Oxford, 13:46; 3, Isls B, Oxford, 13:46; 3, Isls B, Oxford, 13:55 (senior I winners); 4. Nottingham and Union; 14:05; 5, Oxford University Spittweight, 14:08-3; senior II winners); 6. Oxford Polytechnic, 14:09-9; 7, Lee, 14:14; 8, Imparial College C, 14:28; 10, I+les; 9, Imparial College C, 14:28; 10, I+les; 9, Imparial College D, 15:40. Women: Senior III: Eton, 14:28; Novice: Imparial College D, 15:40. Women: Senior III: Eton, 14:28; Novice: St Edward's, 14:55, Junior 15; St Edward's, 14:55, Junior 15; St Edward's, 15:42, Veteran C: Upper Thames, 15:06.

RUGBY LEAGUE BRITISH COAL UNDER-21 INTERNA-TIONAL MATCH: Great British 56, France 2 (at Hullian). YOUNGERS ALLANCE First division: Featherstone 7, Bradford 30; Hull 28, Olcham 8; Hull KR 20, Warrington 12: Leeds 38, Hullfar 24; St Helens 38, Castleford 24; Workington 8, Widnes 12: Second division: Develoury 55, Hernel Herropsteed 2; Swinton 54, Whitehawen 2.

Boroughmuir)
CLUB MATCHES: Bath 50, Newbridge 7;
Sediord 27, Herrogete 3; Gloucester 13,
Pontypool 8; Kiriczeldy 12, Currie 29;
Musselburgh 10, Watsonlans 22; Roselyn Park 36, Blackheath 6; Stirling County 27,
Ayr 10; Wespe 27, Neath 15; Weston-super-Mare 18, Cartino 38; Northempton 53, Bridgend 16; Exeter 22, Okehampton 3. 3.
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Ebbw Vale 16. Tradegar B.
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(all ticket, 7.45)

CYCLING PARIS-NICE RACE: First stage (5.7-km individual time-triel): 1, T Rominger (Switz), 6min 45.33sec; 2, M indurain (Sp), 6:49.30; 8, J Montoye (Sp), 6:51.81.

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HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier di-vision: Horwich v Nossley, First division: Curzon Ashton v Knowsley. PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Utd v Bolton; West Brownich v Auton Villa (7.0), Second division: Huddersfield v Middlesbraugh; Prezion v Stoke (7.0). MEVILLE OVENDEN COMBRIATION: Charlton v Swindon (7.0); Crystal Palace v Milwell.

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES: Tunsants Process Trophy: Ashton Utd v Darwen.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier di-vision: Clevedon v Saliash. RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Second (Uvidor: Staffeld + Rochaut). SQUASH RACKETS PRAMES PREMIER LEAGUE: First di-vision: Lend P Lembs v Vesery Cannons; Lysic Surbiton v Moselic Priory; North Walsham v A \* end P Rackets; Addres Northern v Leekes Wizerds.

**BKI JUMPING** 

TRONDHEIM, Norwey: World Cup high hill event: 1, H Kuttin (Austria), 211 2pts; 2, E Vettori (Austria), 208.0; 3, T Neminon (Fin), 205.3; 4, J Perms (C2), 204.7; 5, A Goldberger (Austria), 200.8; 6, N Kassi (Japan), 200.5.

OTHER SPORT BADMINTON: Yonex All-England championships: qualifying rounds (Watford).

BOWN: English women's rational championships (Stavensips).

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CLDHAME English redional charmolog-shipe: Menr: First round: C Presn fisle of Wight) bit K Whiteker (Vortes), 21-5, 21-8, 21-11; J Taylor (Lance) bit A Moor (Susses), 21-12, 21-12, 21-12, M Syed (Berick) bit Dar (Berick), 21-11, 21-15, 21-11; S Andrew (Essex) bit S Rockell (Middy), 21-7, 21-17, 21-14; S Sooveroft (Lance) bit R Venner (Sussesy), 52-1, 21-12, 21-10, 21-16; N Meson (Surrey) bit N Charles (Middy), 21-7, 21-17, 21-11; 21-10; S Dorida (Essex) bit N Edwardsy (Lance), 21-14, 21-16; Midson (Surrey), 21-16; 1-17, 1-17, 12-10; S Dorida (Essex) bit N Edwardsy (Lance), 21-14, 21-16; N Meson (Surrey), 21-14, 21-16; N Meson (Surrey), 21-11, 21-17, 18-21, 21-18; A Cooke (Derbys) bit J Heiton (Lance), 21-8, 21-12, 21-13, 21-12; S Sarter (Starfa) bit A Eden (Lance), 21-16, 15-21, 19-21, 21-14, 21-16; D Douglas (Warwdids) bit C Rogers (Leicx), 21-18, 21-3, 21-17; Pouglas bit Scowcord, 21-19, 21-11, 21-17; Douglas bit Scowcord, 21-19, 21-11, 21-15; Yead bit Doridan, 21-4, 21-17, 21-12; Syed bit Doridan, 21-4, 21-17, 21-15; Chen bit Cooke bit Santer, 21-5, 21-13, 21-17; Pouglas bit Scowcord, 21-19, 21-11, 21-15; Chen bit Cooke bit Mason, 19-21, 21-13, 21-17; Cooke bit Mason, 19-21, 21-13, 21-14; Chen bit Cooke, 21-13, 21-14, 21-16; A Gordon (Kent), 21-12, 21-11, 21-18; S Marfing (Vortes) bit J Herris (Starfa), 21-9, 21-13, 21-17; Felliot bit Doeston, 21-15, 21-15; Lower (Starfa), 21-16, 21-13, 21-17, 21-15; Hole Lances) bit A Herris (Starfa), 21-9, 21-13, 21-14; Chen bit Cooke, 21-13, 21-14, 21-16; Bordon bit Alexter (Wilsis), 21-11, 21-12, 21-13, 21-14, 21-16; Bordon bit Herris (Herris), 21-13, 21-14, 21-16; Bordon bit Herris (Herris), 21-13, 21-14, 21-16; Bordon bit Herris (Herris), 21-14, 21-16; Bordon bit Lower, 21-15, 21-15; Pouglas bit Andrew and F Eliot bit A Gordon and J

Goodens, 2-10, 2-10, 19-21, 2-114, 59(Thaise Gordon bt Londes, 2-119, 2-16, 2-12; Holt bt Effot, 19-21, 14-21, 22-20, 21-18, 22-20. Mixed doubles: Final: 8 Andrew and F Effot bt A Gordon and J Holland, 21-14, 21-12.

- Harris Bride Call

SNOOKER THORNBURY: Strachan professional shampionship: Final: J Wartsans (Thus) bi J. Perrott (Eng.) 93. Frame scores (Wattans first), 18-88, 76-53, 82-25, 74-0, 84-73, 78-42, 76-1, 64-71, 83-8, 117-9, 94-4, 75-17. 4,75-17.
FORTE HOTELS MATCHROOM
LEAGUE G Wilkinson (Eng.) bt A Fisher
(Eng.), 6-2; J White (Eng.) bt J Parrett
(Eng.), 5-3; N Foulds (Eng.) bt A Drago
(Marte), 5-3. WAREGAM, Beiglum: Challenge metoh: 8 Hendry (Scot) bt J Johnson (Eng.), 4-0.

SPEED SKATING SPEED SKATING
BAVALEN, Norway: Mem's World Cup
meeting: Seturdey: 500m: 1, D Jensen
(US), 37.18sec; 2, Y Myabe (Japan),
37.45; 3, M Yuki (Japan), 37.83, 1,000m:
1, IZnelesovskij (US), Itnici 14,88sec; 2, T
Ruroiwa (Japan), 1:15.70; 3, Y Miyabe
(Japan), 1:15.84, Sundby: 500m: 1,
Zhelesovsky, 37.25sec; 2, Kuroiwa, 37.34;
3, Jansen, 37.38, 1,000m: 1,
Zhelesovsky, 1min 15,65sec; 2, Kuroiwa,
1:16.21; 3, Myabe, 1:16.30, Overali;
600m: 1, Jansen, 156pis; 2, U-J May
(Ged), 144; 3, Kuroiwa, 138, 1,000m: 1,
Zhitlesovsky, 100pts; 2, Kuroiwa, 88; 3, E
Fapp (US), 61. (Gen), 144; 3, Kurowa, 138. 1,000m; 1, Zhèlecoveky, 100pa; 2, Kurowa, 88; 3, Emp (US), 61, HEÈRENVEEN, Metherfands: Women's world championships: 500m; 1, Ye Clicoto (Chine), 40.05esc; 2, 3 Hashimoto (Japan), 40.90; 3, 8 Voetelini, Neth), 41,48, 1,500m; 1, E Hunyady (Austria), 204,48esc; 2, G Nilemann (Ger), 205,02; 3, 5 Hashimoto (Japan), 206,34, 3, S Bolico (CS), 422,94; 3, S Bolico (CS), 422,95; 2, Hunyady, 422,64; 3, S Bolico (CS), 423,95; 5,000m; 1, Nilemann, 723,55; 2, Bolico, 7:28,03; 3, C Zijishra (Neth), 7:30,38, Final ovetrali: 1, Nilemann, 171,65\*†pts: 2, Hunyady, 172,621; 3, Hashimoto, 174,489.

TENNIS INDIAN WELLS, California: Man's Champions Cup: Cuarter-finals: A Champions Cup: Cuarter-finals: A Champions (CS) bt E Sanchez (Sp.), 7-5.

- 7-5: M Stich (Ser) bt S Bruguers (Sp.), 6-1.

- 8-2: M Chang (LS) bt A Charlesov (CS),

- 8-3: A Serial-finals: Champions (Stich,

- 1-6. - 3: Champiot Clavet, 6-0, 6-1.

- 1-6. - 3: Champiot Clavet, 6-0, 6-1.

- 1-6. - 3: Champiot Clavet, 6-0, 6-1.

- 1-6. - 3: Serial-finals: K Kinnear (US)

and S Sakurias (US) bt J Puph (US) and 3

- 3: Solventies (US)

and D Macpherson (Aus) bt R Regneberg

(US) and D Wheston (US), 7-5, 6-3.

COPENHAGEN: Men's tournament: (US) and D Vineston (US), 7-6, 6-3. COPENHAGEN: Men's tournament: Cusriar-finals: M Larison (Swe) bit P Baur (Ger), 6-4, 6-7, 6-1; C Secensu (Ger) bit N Kutil (Swe), 6-4, 6-3; A Jamyd (Swe) bit J Ettingh (Nath), 6-1, 6-2; D Narghao (II) bit K Carlissen (Deri), 7-5, 7-8. Semi-finals: Jamyd bit Narghao, 6-2, 3-8, 7-5, Larison bit Secensu, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4. Sacinsu, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4.

BDCA RATON, Fibrida Warman's four-rement Cushfer-finais: A Coolzer (SA) of G Sabatini (Arg), 4-6, 6-1, 6-2; S Graf (Gar) bt 2 Garnison (US), 6-0, 5-7, 7-5; MJ Fernandez (US) bt N Taliziat (Fr), 6-4, 6-2; C Marrinez (SD) bt B Rither (Ger), 6-1, 6-0, Semi-finais: Marrinez bt Cocter, 4-6, 6-3, 8-0; Graf bt Fernandez, 6-0, 7-5.

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Liverpool reach FA Cup semi-finals as long-term absentees return to make mark

# Souness's gamble gains reward

By STUART JONES

A DESPERATE gamble paid off for Graeme Souness yesterday. For the first time this season, he picked a side that resembled the strongest available for Liverpool - and he was rewarded with a onegoal win that established them as the clear favourites to lift the FA Cup on May 9.

The goal that preserved Liverpool's realistic pursuit of honours was, appropriately. fashioned by all three of the comeback men who represented Souriess's game of chance against Aston Villa.

John Barnes and Ronnie Whelan, who created it, had in particular been out for so long that they were playing largely from memory.

Michael Thomas had also

been absent for five weeks but, on the same ground where he clinched the League championship for Arsenal three years ago, he applied the finishing touch.

It earned them a semi-final against Portsmouth, the secand division survivors, on April 5.

"We knew we had to be at our best today," the Liverpoolmanager said, "and we showed signs of that in the second haif. We've had lots of problems and that is the first time we've fielded anything like our full team and I've always said we should be judged then."

The stability of Whelan, which had been hidden for six months, the individual brilliance of Barnes, glimpsed only briefly, and the runs of Thomas have been missed by Liverpool.

In one moment midway through the second half, the combination unhinged Villa and won the quarter-final at

Whelan, restored to his role in front of the back four, he had been moved in from the flank, where he had been too isolated before the intervai, aithough he admitted later that fatigue had by then

His intentions might, he said, have otherwise been more introspective. "Normally. I might have gone for a dribble but my legs felt tired.

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so I just played the ball."
In spite of the apparent weariness, the precision and timing of his pass for the galloping Thomas was per-fect. In steering his shot around the stranded Spink. Thomas claimed his second goal for his new club and the first at Anfield since the momentous evening in 1989.

It denied Vilia, who would have claimed an equaliser and their own piece of history but for the instinctive reac-tions of Grobbelaar.

Although Villa have won the trophy seven times, they have not reached the last four for 32 years. To break the sequence, their forwards had to be as efficient as in the previous away victories over Tottenham Hotspur, the holders. Derby County and Swindon Town. In brief, they

The aim of Richardson was wayward early on and Atkinson, another to re-emerge from a winter's hibernation. allowed Grobbelaar to spoil a potentially spectacular individual effort.

After Venison had completed a couple of hurried clearances, the Liverpool goalkeeper protected their lead with a stunning save from Parker's firm drive.

Villa's front line, almost wholly unproductive in the League (they have scored only twice in nine fixtures), was smothered by Nicol, Wright and, especially, by the gifted Jones. Switched to left back. the new England defender countered the speed of Daley, a dangerous threat which amounted to nothing.

Liverpool showed five changes from the inexperi-enced team that probably rielded their Uefa Cup place in Genoa last week. In spite of header by Barnes and an inspired attempt by Saunders, they were initially not as effective as a unit but their cohesion grew and so did their belief.

It promises to increase with the restoration of the one remaining missing piece. within a fortnight. The skeleton of the new stand, which towers above one side of the ground is not the only sign of bigger and better things to come, albeit belatedly, at Anfield.

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Time to celebrate: Thomas revels in his goal, to the delight of Saunders, his Liverpool team-mate

# Liverpool drawn to meet Portsmouth

By A Special Correspondent

odds-on favourites to win the can't write us off. FA Cup after the semi-final draw yesterday paired them with Portsmouth, the second division team that surprisingbeat Nottingham Forest. William Hill had Liverpool at 5-4 on, with Cheisea at 4-1, Norwich 7-1, Portsmouth 8-Southampton 12-1, and Sunderland 25-1.

Colin Clarke, the veteran Portsmouth forward who played a vital role in his side's 1-0 defeat of Forest, said: The prospect of facing Liverpool in an FA Cup semi-final

is very exciting.
"In a one-off game in this competition of course we have got to fancy our chances. I've seen Liverpool on television in most of their games this sea-son and they look as good as ever in patches. They've been

beaten by a lower-divison side

LIVERPOOL were made like Peterborough, so you

"The Forest game was daunting enough for our young players so I don't think we'll have anything more to fear. Semi-finals tend not to be quite as good a game of football but that's because neither side wants to throw away the chance of getting to

Graeme Souness, the Liverpool manager who never won an FA Cup-winners' medal as a Liverpool player, said: "We fancy our chances against anyone on a neutral ground. I have always maintained we should only be judged when we have our strongest side out and the team that beat Villa was the first time I have fielded anything like our strongest side."

### HT: 0-0 LIVERPOOL 1 ASTON VILLA 0 Bookings: Veniago 52 Blake 29, McGrath 85 Rosenthal 78 Kubicki 45 (Blake) Froggatt 78 (Yorke) Shots (on target/total) Corners (left/right) Crosses (left/right) Free kicks/pens agns! 24 27 ASTON VILLA (4-4-2) LIVERPOOL (4-4-2)

# Police arrest 51 in Portsmouth

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

HAMPSHIRE police said yesterday that 51 Portsmouth supporters had been arrested after their team's 1-0 win over Nottingham Forest in the FA Cup on Saturday.

Of the arrests, 25 were made in and around the ground. Later, extra police were called in as pubs and bars in the city overflowed as thousands of supporters took to the streets.

A police spokesman said: "There were a very large number of people celebrating

after the game and a further 26 were arrested at various locations. We were called to deal with 60 related public order offences in Portsmouth and Southsea and a total of 50 extra officers had to be used to cope with the number

of people. Denis Smith is expected to be named as the new manager of Bristol City today. Dismissed by Sunderland at Christmas, Smith, who was interviewed for the vacancy by Leslie Kew, the City chairman, late last week travelled to the West Country from his home in County Durham. He ray, the chairman, would be stayed in a Bristol hotel last unlikely to stand in Crosby's night, finalising details with Kew before waiting to be for-

Smith, aged 44, who played at centre half for Stoke mally introduced at a press City before managing York City and Sunderland, revived It is understood that Smith would like to take Malcolm the latter's fortunes in the Crosby, now the caretakeraftermath of Laurie manager at Sunderland, but formerly his reserve team-McMenemy's spell in charge at Roker Park. coach at Roker Park, to Ashton Gate with him. Nothing

Now he faces the challenge of keeping City, who dismissed Jimmy Lumsden a formight ago, and last week numed down a job application from Osvaldo Ardiles, in the second division.

# Cooke to lead England up to World Cup

By David Hands, rugby correspondent

GEOFF Cooke, team manager of the most successful England rugby union team for nearly 70 years, will be con-firmed today in his honorary position for the next four years. In the wake of the team's second successive grand slam, he will take England up to the 1995 World

The Rugby Football Union's committee met on Friday and ratified the recommendation from its own coaching committee that Cooke, team manager since the autumn of 1987, should continue in the post. I understand that, as distinct from the past five years, Cooke's position will not be reviewed at the end of each season, but will cover the full cycle up to the next World Cup.

Before Saturday's defeat of Wales at Twickenham, which earned England their tenth grand slam and their twentieth outright five nations' championship, Cooke, aged 50, had expressed a willingness to carry on until 1995. He is chief executive of the British Institute of Sports Coaches and, though a Cumbrian, has spent most of his working life in Yorkshire. However, there was opposi-tion to him continuing, based partly on memories of the incident in Cardiff last year when the England management failed to attend a postmatch press conference.

It remains to be seen how many members of the England squad will continue play-ing at international level-Cooke admitted that he expected Peter Winterbottom and Wade Dooley to join Rory Underwood and Simon Halliday in retirement. "You get to the end of a particular phase and we have had a lot of non-stop international rug-

by," he said.
"This summer players will

have the chance of a break and to reflect on things. When September comes round and they see other people starting to play again, and get the whiff of embrocation, who knows what they might do. If they choose to make themselves available, they will be considered.

But I don't think it's of benefit to English rugby to go round persuading people to stay on; we will let things take their course. The players make their own decisions. They have reached that time in their lives when they know what their other commitments are."

Mickey Skinner is expected to return from Harlequins to second-division Blackheath, but the prospect of playing against South Africa at Twickenham in November may act as a lure. Jeff Probyn, at 36 the oldest man in the squad, will make himself available, and there is no obvious challenger at tighthead prop.

Wales, who have one more international to play (against Scotland on March 21), have yet to decide on their longterm management structure but Alan Davies, their coach, has told them he is prepared to stay on until, and possibly beyond, the 1995 World Cup We are still in a building

stage," Davies said after his team's 24-0 defeat at Twickenham. "If we expect to turn that round in three games, we can't say there was a problem in the first place. There clearly is and it's being addressed. There is enough playing

talent [in Wales] to win triple crowns and grand slams. Hopefully, we can mirror the best team in the hemisphere [England], particularly off the field, which you must do in modern sport."

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# Nebiolo picked by Samaranch

PRIMO Nebiolo, the president of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), became the first of Juan Antonio Samaranch's nominated members of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) on Saturday.

He immediately set about attempting to assist in the resolution of political controversies concerning the Olympic Games in Barcelona.

Samaranch's choice of Nebiolo as the first of his two discretionary nominations granted as a change in the charter during the Winter Games — came as no surprise. Interest will centre on his second nomination.

Equally predictably, the IAAF, at its meeting here on Saturday, set about defusing South African unrest within

Following the recent visit to South Africa by Lamine Diack, IAAF vice-president, the Unity Games, postponed from last autumn, have been rescheduled for Dakar, Senegal, on April 18, and South Africa on April 24 and 25. President de Klerk and Nelson Mandela have accepted invitations.

Entries will be confined to African athletes and the intention is to grant South Africa provisional membership of the IAAF at the council meeting in Toronto in May.

The IAAF has accepted there is substantial majority amalgamation on the unified South African Athletics Association, between black and white, and that if the coloured athletics board fails to coordinate its activities before May, it will be disregarded.

It was also agreed at meet-ings between the IAAF and the IOC that they would support the policy of a unified team of former Soviet republies for Barcelona - as in the Albertville Winter Games but that any independent republics who declined to collaborate would be left out.

The Russian republic dele-gation arrived here yesterday having resolved its controversy of two national Olympic committees (NOCs).

At a meeting on Friday. Vladimir Vasin, leader of the body which had already applied for IOC recognition, resigned in favour of the establishment of the former Soviet NOC.

Vitaly Smirnov, the IOC vice-president, was elected president of the new Russian NOC, with Vasin as first vicepresident.

#### Rugby triumph no pushover to Botham Factor to provide one. The remainreverse of a team based on

ENGLAND victories are coming at us thick and fast. With the midweek cricket victory over Australia, we celebrated one man. The grand slam rugby union success was quite a different matter. It was a victory quite devoid

of the Botham Factor. The Botham Factor is the most satisfying story in sport: how one individual seizes an occasion by the scruff of the neck and makes it - the occasion and the victory both - anquestionably his own.

Botham has done this when sneaking and when plundering his victories. In 1981, he scored that 149 at Headingley for the greatest underdog win in history; in 1985, he hit the main strike

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bowler for a first-ball six to rub in the fact that England had won the Ashes by a mile and half. Where, then, was the

Botham Factor as the England rugby team completed the stunning achievement of back-to-back grand slams? Look, and you look in vain. It was not that kind of day. It is not that kind of team. Who was England's domi-

nant individual? There was none. That has been England's strength: perhaps, ultimately, their weakness, too. There were a lot of fine performances: 15 of them, 16 counting Heslop, the

Carling had a truly excellent game. Webb broke his record: Dooley had his try. But nobody will call this Carling's Game, or Dooley's Game. Of all team games, rugby is one of the least amenable to the Botham Factor. Its emphasis is always on group achievment. Still.

will happen while Sunder-

land remain in the FA Cup -

they play at Chelsea in the

sixth round tonight - but

should they go out, Bob Mur-

conference.

tralian, shows it can be done. If England have such a nonpareil. it is probably Guscott — but we are still waiting for him to show us. Underwood has been a jewel, a finisher in the Lineker mould. But every line of Underwood's body says that he finishes what the team begins. Great player, no

Campese, the nonparell Aus-

Botham Factor. You cannot go grandstanding without it, and England badly wanted to go grandstanding on Saturday. The trouble is, their best is shown in bitter struggle, and the Welsh were not good enough



ing option is showboating. and England lack the temperament for it.

The backs never strung passes together, over-eager to put on a show. The forwards never need an excuse to immerse themselves in the profitless struggles of rugby union's game-within a game: they, too, wanted a bravura performance, to perform some miracle like a pushover try from the 22, perhaps their own 22. They didn't.

So England won without style: but that is really as it should be. Style has never been their style. The team is about effectiveness. This is a classic example of a team in which the sum is greater than the parts. It is the very

, the Botham Factor.

This is, and by a distance, the best rugby team in the northern hemisphere. The blotch on the record is, of course, the World Cup final. A game too far. It was a day when all-round excellence was not enough. England did not have a man who siezed his moment and his destiny. There was no Botham, not on the England side anyway.

Still, let us not permit this truth to obscure a magnificent achievement. There may not be a single superstar to revel in, but there are 15 or 16 run-of-mill heroes. And that is worth 15 or 16 cheers.

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Daniel Massey on his part in the new starstudded Shaw

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# **Has Lamont** got what women want?

Women may well decide the outcome of the general election - but what do they really expect from government? On the eve of the Budget, George Hill discovers millions of still undecided voters

alf of those eligible to vote are still waiting to be convinced that any of the political parties has anything special to offer them. They are Britain's women voters, 52 per cent of the electorate, and among the people from whom Norman Lamont has most to hope and most to fear in their response pre-election lomorrow. A new survey of political atti-

tudes among women of voting age shows that more than a quarter of the respondents are still either "don't knows" or self-confessed waverers in their allegiance. If this sample is taken as representative of women voters as a whole, four million potential voters are still undecided. Among waverers in the survey, especially Conservative waverers (those who lean towards a Conservative vote but are not 'very" or "at all" certain that they will vote that way), a majority say that they expect the Budget to influence their voting decisions. The proportion of "don't knows" lurking in the electorate as a whole is usually estimated as only about 16 per cent. Here is an audience of millions waiting to be convinced

They will be no pushover for either side. The survey, carried out last month by the FDS Market Research Group, shows that although there is no uniform "women's vote", women have clear preferences about the policies needed to win their support. They are less interested in the allure of tax cuts than they are in increased 1010 picked public investment, and in the raising of benefits (especially pensions and support for those caring for elderly relatives at home — a cause supported by nine out of ten). More than one in five mothers in particular — would like more and better opportunities to take up paid work, and more than half are inclined to favour Labour's policy of a minimum

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In outline, the policy factors that women see as important, and their views about them, appear to be not far removed from those of voters in general. The very high value they set on public provision for health and education may exceed that of male voters. Almost certainly, and understandably, they have a sharper awareness than men of the problems facing those caring for children and the elderly and women who want to go out to

None of the political parties has succeeded in establishing itself in women's eyes as a "party for women". But none of them has incurred the stigma of being

widely seen as a party that disre-gards their interests. Only 1! per cent see any party as standing for policies which are especially good for women, and only 9 per cent see any of the parties as especially bad. Even among committed supporters of one party, only a minority are dedicated enough to claim that their own party's policies are "especially good for women".

Among the handful who do see a difference, more see Labour as the answer to women's prayers than the other main parties (7 per cent of the total named Labour, 3 per cent the Tories, and 2 per cent the Liberal Democrats). A relatively high proportion of those who see a. difference between the parties

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(most preferring Labour) are single parents, parents with children aged under five, and young voters. Only one in four women wants the Budget to lower taxes, a finding that reinforces voices in the government which have warned that tax cuts in a recession. might be seen as pre-election bribery. The poll's findings are consistent on this point with the findings of other polls which have questioned voters of both sexes. Women who say that they are Conservative waverers are more in favour of tax cuts than the average, but even among them the proportion in favour, 41 per cent, is less

than half. Surprisingly, perhaps, tax cuts appeal most not to the well-off but to the unemployed, unskilled and semi-skilled workers, and to the young. This may be because they are the ones who feel most in need of more disposable income.

Mr Lamont's tax-cutting option is further complicated by the fact that income tax - the tax most often mentioned in this context comes only third on women's list of the taxes they want to see cut. A further poll tax softener is preferred by 47 per cent, Vat by 32 per cent, and income tax by only 17 per cent. Labour and Conservative waverers, both groups that Mr Lamont will want to woo, are both

especially in favour of concentrating any cuts on the poll tax. However, the evidence on taxation is ambivalent. Even though income tax cuts are not a high priority, twice as many women would welcome a lp cut than would oppose it, and many more would disapprove than approve of a 1p increase. This suggests that if an income tax cut was made in the Budget, there might be little enthusiasm about a Labour commitment to put it up again afterwards if it won the election.

If there is revenue to spare, three out of four women would prefer to see it devoted to investment in public services rather than tax cuts. This group gives top priority to the health service, preferred by 81 per cent, and schools, mentioned by 51 per cent. (No fewer than 93 per cent of Tory waverers favoured more spending on health.) But fewer than a fifth of the total gave a high priority to public transport. "These responses are rather different from what one might expect to find of voters in general," says Ivor Crewe, profes-sor of government at Essex Univ-ersity. "That may be so in particular with the high impor-tance given to schools, and the relatively low importance given to

Not surprisingly, mothers with children at school or soon to start at school were most likely to mention investment in education. But even among them the health service had a still higher priority The minority wanting more money put into public transport was concentrated among the elderly (who rely on it more than others). the middle classes and in the south groups which include many

Subsidies for public transport are one thing, taxes on private transport very much another. Seven out of ten would oppose higher road tax or petrol tax.

After higher spending on public services, women would most like to see any spare state revenues devoted to raising benefits, rather than to tax cuts. Half of all women want benefits to rise, and among them the overwhelming priority is given to raising pensions. Government spokesmen, who have been proclaiming for a dozen years that state benefits should be precisely targeted at those in need, appear to have spoken in vain. The old age pension, which is paid equally to rich and poor, remains sacred.

Even mothers with children at home unselfishly yield precedence to the pensioners. In spite of this, they regard child benefit as very important, not surprisingly, and

so do other women. It is men-



BUDGET PRIORITIES FOR WOMEN

Increased tax relief for those looking after elderly dependants at Raised pensions (61 per cent)

More money invested in the health service (81 per cent)

Tax relief on the costs of child care (77 per cent)

Tax relief on costs of adult education and retraining (76 per cent) ■ Part-time jobs (75 per cent of those working part-time wish to continue doing so)

More jobs in the locality (73 per cent of those looking for a job or for longer hours would like to work locally)

Additional tax allowance for working women with children (73

■ Increased tax on cigarettes (68 per cent)

tioned by 20 per cent of all women. and just over half the total would like a substantial increase in child benefit, even if it meant a | p rise in

income tax. A variety of tax relief measures especially aimed at women receive widespread support. They include relief on the cost of child care, the cost of adult education and retraining, and on the costs of a special new tax allowance for working women with children. A clear majority also support a national minimum wage and affordable nursery education for two to five-year-olds, even at the cost of

raised taxes. But the measure which receives

almost universal support is tax

relief for those looking after elderly dependants at home. Even younger voters, most of whom must be unlikely to face that prospect for

years to come, still support the proposal strongly More than a fifth of all women. especially young mothers and middle-aged women with children at secondary school, want more and better opportunities to take paid work. This desire to go out to work, and the reasons why it is so often frustrated, are something that any government would do well to take account of. Only one in eight of these women said that she was frustrated in this wish by the opposition of a husband or partner, a factor which would no doubt

Cut in income tax by 1p in £ (57 per cent)

Nursery education provided by local authorities, even at the cost of higher poll tax (56 per cent)

■ National minimum wage of £3.60 per hour, even if this made nursery education more expensive to parents (57 per cent) Raised level of income at which tax is paid (54 per cent of those

looking for a job or longer hours) ■ Substantial increase in child benefit (53 per cent)

■ More money invested in schools (51 per cent)

Increased tax on beer, wine and spirits (49 per cent)

■ Decreased poli tax (47 per cent)

of 1,022 women of voting age by telephone between February 13 and 18. The data were weighted by social have loomed larger in the past. Just over a third cited a lack of child-care facilities. Nearly half class, tenure of home and car owner-ship. Its repon, Budget and Tax: women's views, is available from FDS, Hill House, Highgate Hill, London, N19 5NA, price £25. (46 per cent) gave as a reason their belief that "too much of what I would earn would go in tax, fares and the costs of childcare".

But the reason mentioned most often, by 54 per cent of this group, was a lack of "suitable jobs available in the local area". This reply, like many others in the survey, is a reminder of the extent to which women today, over and above the preoccupations which tend to affect them in particular. are also conscious sharers in the fortunes of all members of a labour market in recession.

• FDS interviewed a national sample

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TOMORROW The golden age of television

y first job was in a British merchant bank in Hamburg. I typed bills of lading in German: sometimes to this day my fingers take on a life of their own and flicker out at lightning speed the words & Cie GmbH or Aktiengesellschaft in the middle of a harmless article. Meanwhile I find my back straightening and my feet clicking together under the table, as if I were once more under the eye of

Frau Seier and Frau Haas. They ran a tight ship, those ladies: it was understood that one arrived at five to nine — not nine o'clock; one went out for lunch sharp at one, whether one felt like t or not: wiping the Sauerkraut from one's lips one returned at 1.55 and remained static until live. One did not go swanning off to lean on the photocopier, nor spend more than three minutes in the Ladies: one worked. If there were no bills of lading one sat demurely waiting for more, or took instruction in the German language from Frau Seier. She liked

to give me a proverb a day to memorise: Ohne fleiss, kein preis (without labour is no reward) was a favourite. So was Morgen, morgen, nur nicht heute sagen alle faulen Leute, which translates Tomorrow, tomorrow, not

today, is what the lazy people say!". You will understand my awed nostalgia for these days when I tell you that Frau S. was only 20, two years older than me. And this was in 1968, when the London office scene meant feckless dollybirds with hangovers: when I stayed with a schoolfriend who was temping off Piccadilly, I nearly fainted with shock at the reckless informality of her office. Since then I have never made the mistake of thinking that the Germans got rich by accident. But the great thing about that

office was that when five o'clock

came, it emptied. All the men, who

Hard at work, off and on WORKING LIFE: Libby Purves on going home 'early'

had removed their jackets to reveal a dismal vista of string vests worn under transparent white nylon shirts, put them back on and vamoosed. We girls switched out the desk-lamps and followed, exchanging the odd proverb ("All that glisters is not gold. Fräulein Purves! Gute nachti" "Schon" dank, Frau Seier! Without labour is no reward!"). Idyllic, really. Because at least one knew where one stood. One had served one's

hours. Since then my destiny has Jain in more unstructured workplaces. People drift in between nine and whenever, cat sandwiches while on the phone one day and vanish to John Lewis for three hours the next; they are still riffling through filing-cabinets when the cleaners turn up at six. Some have



keys, and go out to the pub for two hours before returning to "clear up a few little jobs" at their desks and spill a can of diet soda into the word-processor.

The next morning someone else will beat the rush-hour by turning up at 7.30, and absent-mindedly

swig the flat dregs of the Diet Coke before discovering there is a fagend in it. Someone else is working from home, or engaged in some baroque jobshare which involves either both parties turning up and getting in one another's way, or else vanishing in a joint flurry of faxes. Increasingly, one rings people in their offices to be told, 'I'm not sure whether she's due in this morning". Frau Seier wouldn't like it. GmbH. Aktiengesellschaft. Sorry.

I actually rather approve of flexible hours, being a disciple of the business guru Charles Handy, who says that it is degrading to buy people's time rather than their achievement. But human nature tends towards one-upmanship, and flexible working is a perfect

lever for making one's fellow-man uncomfortable. Plant a bugged briefcase in any workplace and before long you will hear the words, "Off home early, then?" followed by a mumbled, "Yah - well - I've put in a lot of office lunches and Saturdays lately."

You may imagine the scomful curl of the lip with which the saintly figure at the desk greets this. Even though it might be perfectly true, and even though the assailant may be on fixed hours and be the kind of paranoid clockwatcher who won't pick up a phone at 1.59 if his lunchbreak lasts till two. Despite all this, the barb sticks.

In offices which open every day - such as newspapers - some men who wish to signal that they are working outside their allocated hours go to the desperate lengths of appearing in the office in a fluffy

pullover instead of a jacket at the weekend. They might as well have someone knit the words "My day off" on to the chest and have done

But if some flexible workers do suffer from the "Off home early then?" form of harassment, possibly they should examine their consciences. Have they never done the opposite? Floated past a preoc-cupied colleague at 5.30 and said. You work too hard. There are other things in life, you know"? This - with its subtext implying that one has no friends or invitations, and ends the day watching Blind Date in a lonely little flat is possibly the world's most annoying remark. Especially when what you are finishing is, come to think of it, supposed to be their job.

By the time you whirl your chair round to say so, however, the swine will have vanished, leaving only a whiff of Eau Sauvage. I suppose you could always stick your head out of the window and shout "OFF HOME EARLY, THEN?". But he might not hear.

Okri, Bogarde and Weldon tell tales.

isten to Ben Okri (19 March), Dirk **L** Bogarde (20 March) and Fay Weldon (7 April) talk about their work, their new projects and all manner of other things. Tickets £3.50; details on 071-928 2252. All these Platform events start at 6pm.



ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: The talented young violinist Stephan Gordey conducts and performs in a Gordey conducts and performs in a programme comprising Busch a Brandenburg Concentrol Nos 4 and 5, and twalds a four Seasons. Fleutists Wilsem Bernett and Kate Hill, and harpsichordist fan Watson ere also

BODY AND SOUL: A topical nex drama by Roy Kendall exploring the moral, legal and ethical questions treed by the Church of England on the ordination of women. Starring Robert organization of winder. Stating in the Heardy and Angela Thome, the production begins a nationwide tour prior to a West End rum Yvonne Arnaud, Milbrook, Guidford (0483 60191), 7 30pm.

BRICE MARDEN — PRINTS: Emerging in New York in the 1950s, Marden was more or less obliged to be an Abstract Expressional at the an Abstract Expressions is the beginning of his career. But he soon moved to a more severe, minimal sty which was gradually modified under the influence of classical architecture More recently his work has returned the loss, calligraphic quality of his first phase. His prints and paintings collectively make up one of the most important bodies of graphic work in recent American art. Tate Gallary, Milibank, SW1 (071-821 1313) Mon-Sat. 10am-5.30pm, Sun. 2-

THE BROTHERS ROBINSON: Not only William Health, but siech his older brothers Thomas Health and Charles were notable book libertators. Though Health Robinson (Le., William) entered the dictionary as a synonym for gimcrack and fentanticated machinery he was also an exquisite draughtsman

LA BETE: Brevurs performance by Alan Cumming in a strange Molière L) LN BET EE Browns personnelse by Alan Curming in a strange Molière parody: eccentric but clever. Lyric Heimmersmith, King Street, WS (081-741 2311) Mon-Sat, 7-45pm, mets Wed, 2-30pm, Sat, 4pm, 145mms. Finel

TI CAESAR AND CLEOPATRA: Ales LI CASSAN AND CLEDYAFFIC AND McCowen and Amenda Root in a disappointingly flat version of Shaw's enti-romantic drama. Greenwich, Croom's Hill, SE10 (081-858 7755), Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, met Set, 3 20cm. 15cm/se.

ET THE COTTON CLUB AN impression of the Harism nightspot; high an energy, low an story treshness. Aldwych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Fri. 7.30pm, Set. 8pm, mats

DANCING AT LUGHNASA: Brian Prief's Olivier Award-winning memory play, set in Thirties Donegal. Gerrick, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (971-494-5065). Mon-Set. Spm, mate Thure, 3pm, Set. 4pm, 150mins. EI DEATH AND THE MAIDEN: JASE

ED DEATH AND THE MADER JUNE Steverson, Michael Byrna, 8th Paters superb in Ariel Dorfman's Chilean postical drama. Best play of 1991. Duke of York's, 3th Mertin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Set, 8pm, mata Thurs, 3pm, 8et, 4pm. 120mins. CI AN EVENING WITH GARY LINEKER: Sometimes drof look at the fantasies of a women mented to a

Duchosa, Catherine Street, WC2 (071-494 5075). Mon-Thure, Spm, Fri, Sat, Spm and 8 45pm, 130mine. FROM A JACK TO A KING: Witty

and stylish version of Macbeth's diffrib to the top, set in the world of rook bands and packed with States songs. Boulevard, Walker's Court, off Peter Street, W1 (0714-37 366 father apm). Nacr-Set, 5 f. Spm, Fri list show. 11.30pm, met Set, 6pm. 30mins. Satisfying musical calebrating Fittles and Sottes pop classics. Greet stuff. Strand, Adveyon, WC2 (071-240 0300). Mon-Thurs. Spm. Fri, Set, 5:30pm and 8:30pm, 136mins.

A HARD HEATT: Architect Anna Massay destroys what she claims to love in Serker's complex, and play.

**NEW RELEASES** CAPÉ FEAR (18): Demonio ex-con Robert De Niro terrorises Nick Noîte and

jamily, Martin Soorsees's faroclous, unpleasant remake of a classis reveng thriler. With Jessics Lange, Julietta Lavid. Empire (671-457 9886) MidM-Belver Street (671-457 9886) MidM-Tusham Road (671-454 0081) Screen on the Green (671-454 0081) Screen on the Green (671-283 5527) Whiteleys (671-792 3532).

ONCE UPON A CRIME (PG): VACUEUS Office UPON A CHANE (FG): Vecular comedy about Americans in Months Carlo tumbing over a deciratured and a dead body. Starring John Cendy, James Belushi, Sear Young, Richard Levis, Cybb Shepherd; director, Tugene Lavy. Ode

CURRENT AFRAID OF THE DARK (18): Mark Peptoe's clever but disagressible psychological thrifter about fear and blindness. With Ben Kevworth, James Fox, Fenny Ardent. MGM Haymarket (071-539 1527). BARTON FINK (15): The Coon brothers' marvellous mecabre 9 brothers' marvellors mecapite convey about a New York playwright all at see in 1940s Hollywood. Starring John Turture, John Goodman. A triple

BLACK ROBE (15): Seventeenth century Jesuit (Lotheline Blutesu) hiss to convert indices an northern Chebec. Intelligent epic from Brian Moore's novel Director, Bruce Seresford, MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031)

CROSS MY HEART (15): Wan, visually dull French tale of children concealing a mother's death from the authorities. With Sylvain Copens;

TODAY'S EVENTS

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and a charming author for children. An unusual pleasure to meet them en familie. ramme. Chris Beetles, 8 & 10 Ryder Street, London SW1 (071-839 7551). Mon-Sal, 10em-5.30pm, until March 20

SPRING LOADED: The impact certimes LUADED: The immediate celebration of new dence continues with experimental group Nightshift Dance Theatre Company in Until We Meet Again on the contral misundestrateriorists of mentions. misunderstandings of meetings (tonight); Eyes and Ears, Catherl Tucker's performance. Tucker's performance piece explicities sensory world, with words by

the sensory world, with words by Robert Overson (tomorrow): the Claire Russ Ensemble discover an obsession with religion and money (Wed), Nameds give their view of Victories women with live music performed by the Bingham String Quartet (Thurs); award-winning dance-theatre group Mottenhouse in Speed and Light (Fri. Sal). The Place, Duke's Read, London WC1 (771-387 0031), eves Born. (071-387 0031), eves 8pm. ON APPROVAL: Penelope Kelth in a

comedy, starring slongside Edward De Souza, Judy Ciltion and Michael Cochrane, under Souza, Judy Ciltion and Michael Souza, Judy Carnor and Micrees Cochrene, under director David Glies. The production moves to Bradtord's Alhambra Theaster next week. Theastre Royal, Theastre Square, Nottingham (0802 482628), 7.30pm.

OPERA 80: The company moves to Basildon this week performing its new steging of Mozari's Dan Glovanni, directed by Stephen Medicali, designed by Lez Brotherston, and conducted by

THEATRE CHOICE Jeremy Kingston's assessment of current London theatre House full, returns only

Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, Spm, met Sat, 4pm.

Some seats available

Seats at all prices

III. MAKING IT BETTER: Jernes Saunders' subtle play concerned with klesis, resity and liberation in Pregue and London; Jane Asher in an exemplery cast of four. Hampatead, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301), Mon-Set, Spm. Set, 4pm. 120mins.

THE NIGHT OF THE REVANA ms THE MIGHT OF THE KEUVANA Almed Moltes and a superio Elesen Albins in Termessee Williams's piley on the effects of sexual repression. National (Lyttelton), South Bersk, 9E1 (071-929 2252), Tanight, 7.30pm. 180mins.

LI PHANTOM OF THE OPERA: Gleatul version of the old thriller: tune by Offenbach, Verdi and Welser but not Lloyd Webber.
Shafteebury, Shafteebury Avenue, WCZ (271-373 539), Mon-Fri, 7-30pm, Sal, 8-30pm, mate Thure, 3pm, Sal, 8-5pm, 150mins.

ET PYSIMIES IN THE RUINE: Uncomfortable play by Ron Hartchines baring the anxietoes of a Selfast et le hgunted by his city's past. Royal Court, Soame Square, SW1 (071-730 1746/2554) Mon-Set, 8pm, mat Set, 4pm. 145mins.

☐ THE ROAD: Reckiese driving and small-time religion in Legos: Wole Soyinka's first play confusingly staged at this new home for black theatre. Connaine Theatre, Southempton Row, WCT (071-450 2500). Mon-Sal., 7.30pm. 180mins.

IN SELF PORTRAIT! Absorbing, If all times confusing, study of the painter Gwen John and the impulse behind her portraits of striction women, Orange Tree, Clavenoe Street,

CINEMA GUIDE Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol •) on

release across the country. DEATH IN BRUNSWICK (15): Sem Nell as an ageing mother's boy suched Into tove, violence and accidental murder. Tasty black comedy from new Australian director John Rusns, MGM Tottenham Court Floed (071-536 5148) MGM Chelses (071-352 5096) Metro (071-437 0757).

THE DOUBLE LIPE OF VERONIQUE (15): Krzysztof Kleelowski' a brilliantly filmed conundrum about two girls (one Pollah, one French) who seem to althur a life. With Irihae Jacob, Philippe Volter, Curzon Meyfair (071-465 8885).

♦ PATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG): Daughter's Impending wadding drives Shave Martin crazy, Disappointing remake of the 1950 classic; for audiences who want to be spoon-fad With Diane Keston; director, Charles Shyer. MGM Cheleus (071-352 5096) MGM

Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) Marble Arch (0426 914501) West End (0425 915574) Whiteleys (071-792 3332). FRANKIE AND JOHNNY (15): Short-order cook (Al Pacino) court wary westress (Michelle Pfelfler). Synthetic adaptation of Terrende McNafly's play. Director, Gerry

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TELEVISION

# Frog life in the publishing pond

FOR many of those who read English at Cambridge in the 1950s or 1960s, like Simon Gray and myself, the very phrase "common pursuit" has a reproachful ring. Didn't it give a title to one of the late F.R. Leavis's most important books? And didn't Leavis himself stand for an astringency of perception and a moral rigour hard to sustain in the literary London that the embattled old critic so despised? I know one-time disciples who feel they have faltered in "the common pursuit of true judgement" and still cannot forgive themselves for betraying the

Gray's play, Common Pursuit, was reassuring in a wry. sardonic sort of way. It acknowledged the difficulty of upholding Leavis-like standards in a world regrettably populated by real people who had real weaknesses and were subject to real financial pressures. The play struck some as wordy when it was first performed on the stage eight years ago. There could be no such quarrel with Gray's television version (broadcast last night), which was high-class without being highfalutin: crisp, funny, sensitive, and more gripping than a tale about frog life in the publishing puddle had any right to be.

The play began with one of those getting-to-know-you scenes that always brings out Gray's sly enjoyment of human incongruities. A prim moral philosopher (Stephen Fry), an insecure young American (Andrew McCarthy), a histrionic would-be Common Pursuit BBC 2

theatre critic (Tim Roth), and an aspiring academic and full-time philanderer (James Fleet) were all assembled in the undergraduate rooms of Stuart (Kevin McNally). editor-to-be of a literary magazine called The Common Pursuit; and I for one was hooked. What were the personal agendas of these young turks, so warily circling each other? What kind of tangled knots would they weave?

Jump seven years, and then a few more, and much ravelling and unravelling had duly occurred. Fleet was financing his wife, children and serial mistresses by writing coffee-table books, Roth was muddling his way up the television ladder, and the fastidious Fry had fallen victim to his paradoxical taste for rough trade. Moreover, after years of struggle, the magazine itself had gone the way of most elitist efforts. McCarthy, now a small-time publishing tycoon, was the possessor not just of McNally's skills but of his long-term lover (Stella

The play could easily have dwindled into a formulaic lament for lost ideals. But Christopher Morahan's direction was too shrewd, his cast too strong, the writing too emotionally alive to allow anything of the sort, I do not know if Gray has read the short story in which a doting but impoverished



Stephen Fry, playing a fastidious philosopher with rough tastes

husband sells his watch to give combs to his wife, who has sold her hair to give him a watch-fob. But the end of McNally and Gonet's affair had rather the same quality. She had an abortion to help keep the magazine going; he gave up the magazine to allow them both to have children; and the result was disaster.

But then Gray's gods have always

been ironists. The more impeccable the emotional logic of the process, the more amusement they take in waylaying and destroying people. That may not be comfortable to watch, but it makes for highly distinctive drama, and seldom more so than in Common

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

## Who would valiant be

The Pilgrim's Progress RNCM, Manchester

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS spent more than 30 years working on The Pligrim's Progress, and it could be seen as the key work in his life. But since the first production it has never been professionally staged, for obvious reasons. It needs an enormous cast with essentially just one substantial role, that of the Pilgrim, who hardly ever leaves the stage; it has none of the traditional qualities of an opera, since Bunyan's story has no love interest and little conventional dramatic tension: the music flows in a kind of tapestry that shows few big changes of mood; and most of all its nature as a "morality" needs the most sensitive production if it is not to

become cloying.
Step forward Joseph Ward, who sang in that infamous first producopera directors who can be counted on to be thoroughly attuned to the music, while at the same time having a clear sense of what works on stage Brilliantly aided by the designs of Michael Holt and the lighting of Kevin Sleep he mounted a production that positively glowed with love for the

He made magical use of the whole opera theatre of the Royal Northern College of Music a stage that surrounded the orchestra, lighting that

used the walls and ceiling of the theatre, and a final chorus with many of the singers spread among the audience. The dream-like atmosphere of Bunyan's book dominated everything: the sentimentality was confronted in a way that made it seem

inevitable and right. Step forward, 100, Igor Kennaway. a conductor widely experienced in Germany but never before heard in a British opera house. He milked the tensions of the music and deftly handled its flow, so that one felt astonished that this glorious design should lie neglected by our major opera houses. The orchestral playing was so skilled that one forgot these

were students In the title role Richard Whitehouse gave a marvellously convincing performance; a touch of gawkiness and a simplicity of manner combined with impeccable diction and a pleasing light baritone made him seem often the only possible performer for the Pilgrim. Among the other fine sing-ers, mention should be made of Thomas Jackson who produced quite the best and most secure treble singing that I have heard on the operatic stage.

But most of all, this was a performance that massively vindicated a neglected work, one that should be seen far more widely than just in Manchester. If in some ways the opera is a strange cross between Parsifal and The Dream of Gerontius, it is also thoroughly individual: it fits into no simple category. That is obviously its problem; but it is aiso its unique strength.

DAVID FALLOWS

## Sixties revivalists

A Midsummer Night's Dream **GSMD** 

BRITTEN'S A Midsummer Night's Dream may not be the most obvious opera for a student venture such as that regularly mounted by the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. Albert Herring, with its down-toearth comedy and parody-laced score. would have been a more predictable choice for a music school, if less of a

challenge.
The difficulty of the Dream is that it is essentially an evocation of an enchanted world. That illusion is created by a range of effects, such as the translucent chamber scoring, an unearthly countertenor voice for the King of the Fairles, and a precisely calculated harmonic language often deriving magical results from sequences of common chords.

Robin Tebbutt evidently decided that such an airy-fairy world was not for his production. Instead, he located the action in the surreal world of the Sixties, the decade of the work's composition, as it happens, though that did not seem to be relevant. The idea appeared to be that of a retreat into a fantasy land beyond the reach of the everyday world, a sphere where harsh, modern realities could be exchanged for sensuous, mystical experience.

Will Hargreaves's resourceful set allowed the children of the City of London School for Girls to enter through a gateway from a graffitistrewn highway into a world of bangles, flares and flower-power.

Lysander's pony-tail, cravat and jeans were matched by the loose. flowing robes and beads of his lover. Hermia, while the tight-suited Demetrius seemed destined for Helena in her purple creation with fashionable hemline. Bottom's ass was, it almost goes without saying, a Hell's Angel. That, at least, gave an interesting resonance to Tytania's line "What angel wakes me from my flowery

All this served to mask the difficulty that the conductor Clive Timms had in conjuring up a veiled atmosphere from his student forces - or, rather, in sustaining it in counterpoint with the unfolding plot. Perhaps that was justification enough. Certainly, the sharpness of Tebbutt's direction deserved a better musical response than it received here in the first two acts. Only in the hilariously staged rustic's play did the place come alive on the first night.

Outstanding among an impressive cast were the full, commanding tone of Alasdair Baker's Demetrius and the golden-voiced Helena of Susan Felver. Niali Morris's ardent Lysander was also attractive, as was Caroline Zigadio's Hermia. Naomi Itami threw off her mock-coloratura with aplomb and Vyacheslav Kagan-Paley occasionally hit exactly the right spectral, disembodied tone Oberon.

BARRY MILLINGTON

# No time for tampering

Manon Lescaut La Scala, Milan

MANY Italian opera-lovers regard Jonathan Miller as a dangerous desecrator, after his updated Tosca in Florence and the rumours that circulated about his Rigoletto in London. But their disappointment seems greater than their relief that his new Manon Lescaut for La Scala has turned out to be so utterly tame. The only moment that betrays the presence of a tampering hand is when Des Grieux expires before his lover, and

not even the flercest traditionalists would lynch a director just for that. The lack of inventive intervention is not entirely Miller's fault, however, He agreed to stage the opera in existing designs after the death of the young French director Pierre Ro-mans. But Denis Fruchaud's anonymous and atmosphere-less sets and Christian Gase's blandly pretty costumes tend to dictate their own terms, within which Miller is limited to an alert and decorous deployment of

He is not much helped by his principals. The Russian Nina Rautio

has an unfailingly musical lyric soprano with an unsensual, un-Italian timbre: her words - when audible - are enunciated rather than felt, and her deportment is sedate. In short, she conveys little sense of Manon's wildly fluctuating moods or

unhinged emotion. Peter Dvorsky is good at despair but short on tenderness, since he is either unwilling or unable to sing quietly. Only Gino Quilico strikes the right note in the peripheral role of Lescaut. The conductor Armando Gatto co-ordinates rather than shapes the performance, but the Scala orchestra — as always these days — plays splendidly.

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# House holds key to Shaw's heart of darkness

Jeremy Kingston talks to Daniel Massey, one of the many stars signed up for Trevor Nunn's new staging of Heartbreak House

n recent years the starry occasions in the West End theatre have been the musicals, and more often than not the stars are the composer or the designer. But when the lights go up this Thursday at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket, revealing a room designed like the poop of a ship beached upon the Sussex Downs, the audience will see a cast unrivalled for lustre since the days long ago when two or three actor knights and a brace of Dames would appear at this same theatre in plays by the now forgotten N.C. Hunter.

Hearthreak House is by the definitely unforgotten Shaw, his finest play; and as befits one of the great dramatic works of the 20th century, Trevor Nunn is directing Paul Scofield as the 88-year-old Captain Shotover, and Vanessa Redgrave. Felicity Kendal and Daniel Massey as his daughters and son-in-law. Imogen Stubbs, David Calder, Joe Melia and Oliver Ford Davies are also in the company, helping to make up a team superbly equipped to bring out the resonances of the work Shaw chose to sub-title "A Fantasia in the Russian manner on English themes".

Nunn rehearsed his cast in the back room of a social club in Chiswick, and at the end of a long day's work this dazzling assembly emerge one by one into the dimly lit bar: Scofield thoughtfully pursing his lips, Redgrave's eyes widening to make out her route past the empty chairs, Nunn hurrying for the telephone. Massey strides forward; we introduce ourselves. His flamboyant moustaches, which someone in the play compares to a bronze candlestick, are already curling up at the required angle. Kendal walks slowly past, rubbing her ear.

Massey is happy to talk about his long acting career, stretching back to the mid-1950s, but far readier to talk of this production.

His face lights up. The emphasis he places on crucial words makes them stand out like a sequence of markers to his enthusiasm - for the play, for Nunn's perceptions of it, for the quality of his fellow

"It's such a personal play, coming as it does out of the first world war and Shaw's feelings about the follies of governments, armaments and people being blown to death. Two of the characters are blown to

'Shaw called the play his King Lear. There's wishful thinking there, but you do hear echoes'

pieces when a plane comes out of nowhere at the end of the last act and drops bombs. There's the influence of Chekhov, of course, though I don't think he really understood Chekhov at that time. bsen, too, at the start of the play. So the coming together of these influences on his own experience and feelings make it a very

personal work.

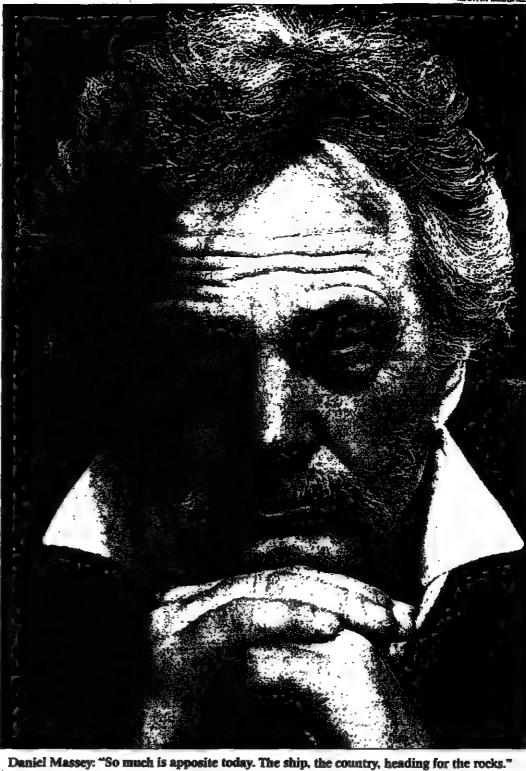
"As well as that, it's almost as if he didn't know what he had written. Not completely. There are huge ambiguities that don't resolve, in the way the didactic, witty Shaw usually resolves his arguments. The whole tone of it is quite different from any other Shaw, and he felt differently about it, letting it only very reluctantly out of his grasp. He finished it during the war, but it wasn't produced for another six years. He was like a child with this play, vulnerable, feeling people would attack it and misunderstand it - which indeed they did. When it was finally done,

people found the tone and the abrupt changes very difficult. I think we seem to be discovering the darker side to the play — I hope this doesn't drown the humour, but Trevor has helped us to find an extraordinary resonance."

Massey plays Hector Hushabye, the desperate fantasist who cannot bear to talk about his actual feats of bravery. "The sad fact about Hector is that he doesn't find living in the real world easy. In another age he could have been a mountain-climber. He needs fantasy. He needs women. That's the other thing, this tremendously Shavian tug-of-war between want-ing and resenting. I've formed a phrase: engagement and despair. It's alternate. You despair of living in the world; but the world that is there - the women, principally, that are in it. Hector's wife
Hesione [Redgrave], or this trusting little Ellie Dunn [Stubbs], or
Ariadne [Kendal] who comes
along and he sechices her—all this is an intoxicant that keeps you going when there aren't the opportunites to be brave.

"Hesione says of him, 'People don't have their virtues and vices in sets: they have them anyhow, all mixed.' That's how the play is like a kind of Shakespearian morality. It's like Measure for Measure — a moral prism. You think he's something: he isn't. Turn him just a little bit further round: oh, he's that! Or he's affected that way by this? My God!

"And nobody's totally unredeemable. Shotover's the most enigmatic of the lot. You don't know whether he sold himself to the Devil in Zanzibar. Everybody says so and you feel there's a truth in this. Shaw later called the play his King Lear - this ancient. ancient man and the three women. There's wishful thinking there, but you do hear echoes of this in Paul [Scofield], who is the greatest Lear that I've seen. He' has this astonishing vocal range.



In his speech at the end - The moon grows from a sickle to an arc-lamp' - something wonderful and correcus comes out.

"So much in the play is apposite today. The ship, the country, heading for the rocks. There's a speech Hector has in the last act. Boss Mangan [Calder], who by this time is a riven character. crushed by all of us playing party games with him, starts taking his ciothes off. Ariadne says, 'Mangan has no money. And he says,

Don't run away with this idea that I have nothing and I say, 'Oh, don't explain. We understand. You have a couple of thousand pounds in exchequer bills, 50,000 shares worth ten pence a dozen. and half a dozen tabloids' . . . and there's a coesure before I go on to say ... 'of cyanide of potassium to poison yourself with when you are found out.' It's Robert Maxwelli In those days they must have used the word 'tabloid' to mean a

capsule. Nowadays what does it

mean but the Daily Mirror?" Massey throws his head back, laughing at the joke, and the photographer comes up to the table to do his stuff. "It may be naughty but it seems to me worth doing. Tabloids - of cyanide of potassium! If someone wants to pick that up, they'll think it's prescience on Shaw's part."

 Heartbreak House is in preview from Thursday at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket (071-930 8800), and opens on March 19

ARTS BRIEF

### **Prince of** strides

CONNOISSEURS of dance, beware. The rock star Prince is to collaborate with the American troupe, the Joffrey Ballet. The diminutive Purple One has been signed up to to compose a score for a full-length work, Billboards. that will be premiered in Iowa next January. This ballet will feature a composition derived from "Thunder", one of the tunes on the musician's recent album Dia-monds and Pearls. The Joffrey clearly hopes that the collabor-ation will help to restore the company's financial fortunes: its spring season in New York was cancelled due to cash problems.

#### Ward of God

FROM playing a hospital porter to portraying Jesus Christ is quite a promotion. The actor Robson Green achieves it this surr when he swops his customary part as Jimmy the porter in the BBC hospital drama series Casualty for the central role in the 1992 York Mystery Plays. He will be the only professional actor among a cast of hundreds of local people. The Mysteries, newly versified by Liz Lochhead, open at the Theatre Royal, York, on June 13.

#### Arrau honoured

CARMEN Arrau, daughter of the great Chilean pianist Claudio Arrau who died last year, was at the Festival Hall on Saturday night to receive on her father's behalf the gold medal of the Royal Philharmonic Society. That the medal was presented posthumous-ly was not the RPS's fault Arrau was due to receive it at a London concert in 1990, but cancelled because of illness. The presentation was rescheduled for a Dusseldorf recital last June. Arrau died four days before it happened.

#### Last chance...

LIKE Caesar's Gaul, the Glasgow Citizens Theatre (041-429 0022) s now divided into three parts. with two studio theatres carved out of what used to be bars by the foyer. The first three productions in the current season all end this Saturday: Niagara, a two-man piece for the acrobat Blondin and an ambitious fan; "1953", Craig Raine's fitfully successful reworking of Racine's Andromaque; and Giles Havergal's joyous adapta-tion of P.G. Wodehouse's Summer Lightning, dashingly played and full of fun.

MUSICAL

# **Serious designs** on the woman

My Fair Lady Opera House, Manchester

ylised sets come to the musical at last. Lerner and Loewe's gloss on Pygmalion was beginning to sound frayed, flimsy and contrived. But David Fielding's designs for this new touring production echo his work for English National Opera at the London Coliseum. They are wildly, perhaps disconcertingly, unnaturalistic.
Abetted by Simon Callow's often minor-key production numbers, they carry the piece to a more serious level — from which it is almost shoved by occasional vulgarity.
This is provided by such

gimmicks as toy trains and race horses, and by Jasper Conran's costumes: the Ascot scene looks like something out of the unlamented Ziegfeld: the women parade with a huge flower on each head. A tendency to slit skirts up to the hip looks less stylish than tarty, though vestigial bustles and a tattered crinoline frame among the lower orders intriguingly suggest finery thriftily re-cycled over the

The sets are a delight,

walls on which examples of phonetic spellings are printed. For the Covent Garden scene, a doll's house version of the Royal Opera House is tilted crazily on heaped sacks of cabbages. The East End is brooded over by a similar model of St Paul's, supported on beer crates. The professor's study bristles with tottering Heath Robinson erections of horn-speakers, books and bird cages, fit for Dr Coppelius's laboratory.

Mrs Higgins's South Kensington studio looks on to a lovely replica of the Albert Hall flanked by Harrods hatboxes. Higgins and Eliza work out (or not?) their relationship in silhouette after the wall has flown away to leave a blue, cloud-flecked horizon.

All this almost swamps the piece itself, especially as Callow brings extraordinary emotional weight to the central relationship. Helen Hobson is an eminently likeable Eliza, at first glance plain, then revealing huge eyes and a firm Edwardian jaw-line. She emphasises show-bia sparkle less than vulnerability, notably in an oddly touching "I could have danced all. night", where insecurity is as evident as elation.

As played by Edward Fox, framed by white pillars and Higgins is one of the most



Swamped by the sets: Edward Fox and Helen Hobson

indistinct professors of phonetics ever. A giant person-ality is needed for those rather ramshackle sprechgesang numbers, as witness the re-prieve of "Why can't a woman? before a phlegmati-cally uninsistent audience. Elsewhere, the character's cruelty towards his guinea pig is uncomfortably vivid.

Only in "I've grown accustomed to her face" does he find the mixture of lightness and tyranny. If the messily uncharacterised choreogra-phy can be tightened up, the show should hit form and London simultaneously in the

MARTIN HOYLE

CONCERTS

# Master of the time machine

of the last few years have marked him out as the Isambard Kingdom of contemporary music master of great time machines, steamy with energy derived from pulse and from massive, surging har-mony, and openly displaying their structural engineering, all finished with a crafts-

man's care. Broken Symmetry, a BBC commission introduced at this concert, is maybe the biggest and most hectic of them all: a solid 25 minutes of motion for a large orchestra. including an important and highly diverse percussion section, ticking away like raichets in the mechanism.

Apparently the piece owes its title to a lop-sided mirroring around the main climax. However, this is not music

SOME amends for London's otherwise paltry celebrations of the Rossini bicentenary

were made by Montserrat Caballé in the first part of her concert with the London Mozart Players. She warmed

up with the begulling "Bell'alme generose" from Elisabetta, regina d'Inghiterra, which has found a firmer place in England as a dance in the Ashton ballet.

Finding the line and tone

coming through clear and

true, she was ready for

La Fille mal gardbe.

BBCSO/Knussen Barbican Hall/ Radio 3

which it is easy to observe as if from the outside, as if it were a piece of architecture: the onward force it wields is too urgent and powerful, sweeping one into the flow, which at times is more an assault than a flow, battering not so much by means of noise as by the brutishness of cycling repeti-tions and regular rhythms.

Matthews's divided feelings about Reich-Glass pattern music, expressed humorously in his 1989 piece Hidden Variables, now give rise to moments of disturbing frenzy, where the music seems to be infuriated by what has

given it the go. Complex in its groundings,

textures, so that it is hard to

ings of brasel.

say whether it is fast or slow: again as in a piece of 19th century technology, there are usually different speeds at work at once, some spinning away (maybe in the extreme bass as well as the treble). some pulsing, some moving with weighty deliberation (beautiful long melodies for tight, polished high woodwind groups: grand gather-

Perhaps the closest comparison would be with Varese, but Matthews's methods and incidents rarely point out from the main business at hand, and many of his ideas, like the flickering-flame prestissimo of trumpets towards the end, are startlingly new. At that moment, and

throughout, this was a heroic performance by the BBC

Knussen. It wanted only a few thousand more cheering auditors, and that it will have at the Proms in the summer.

The evening's other new work, its ink still damp, was a set of four Whitman Settings by Knussen for soprano (Lucy Shelton not ideally enrap-tured) and orchestra. These are very beautiful, but they represent a painstaking illustrator's art rather than a subsuming recreation of the

Shelton was also the soloist in Sibelius's Luonnotar, and the concert blazed away at the end with Scriabin's Prometheus, David Home serving out knightly forays from the piano, and the BBC Symphony Chorus sounding in from a balcony for the close.

PAUL GRIFFITHS

# **Matured vintage**

Montserrat Caballé Festival Hall

Pamira's prayer from The Siege of Corinth, with its fierce invocation and gradual easing into a limpid filo di roce to finish. Two Tancredi arias took her from slow arching phrases and rounded single notes in "Giusto Dio" the more elaborate embellishments for "Di tanti palpiti", crowned with a finely voiced trill.

The singer had steady rather than scintillating orchestral support under José Collado, though some instrumental solos deserved

In the Spanish zarzuelas that followed the soprano ranged from the complex emotions of a poignant num-

ber from El Barquillero (The Wafer-seller) by Chapi, often called "the Spanish Mas-senet," to a touching lament from Serrano's La Canción del olvido (The song of

forgetfulness). In these zarzuela items the voice seemed to grow ever younger. So she was ready to respond happily to vociferous acclaim and switch to long time favourite encores from Puccini (O mio babbino caro") and Cilea.

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# A dark shadow across GI babies

Boris Becker, now dating a black woman, is speaking out against racism. Ian Murray reports on prejudice in Germany today

am "call me Uncle" Turner, a 27-year-old American sergeant, put his arm around blonde Ingrid from Mannheim and considered the question: "Do we blacks feel any discrimination here in Germany?" He gave Ingrid an extra squeeze and listened for a moment as the thump of the music from the Alkazar Disco spread out into the night. "Yeah," he said. "I reckon she discriminates in my favour.

"Uncle", who has been serving on the American base in Mannheim for two years, had heard about Boris Becker's black girlfriend and was not surprised to learn the tennis star was now worried about racism in his country. "I guess the people don't like to see their golden boy getting covered in choc-

olate." he said. Ingrid did not 'How do you laugh. Going out with Unde might tell a black be fun, but being interviewed with American him was not. Like thousands of other not to look German women before her, she has different? not found it easy to have a black As a black, American boyfriend. She was not you are thinking of mar-riage, "That would going to be be too difficult singled out' these days," she

For, as the bulk of the American army retreats from Europe, the good times are changing. The GI is no longer welcomed as a guardian of freedom but increasingly seen as a member of an unwanted occupying army. Relationships between white GIs and local women are becoming rare enough: those between black GIs and local women are even rarer. "We got the Reds out for them. Now they don't want the blacks,"

Mixed marriages with local women were never easy, anyway. Sergeant Pierre Malary, also at Mannheim, met his German wife, Christa, in a disco 15 years ago when he first came to Germany. It took a bit of time for her family to accept him, even though he is a Haitian of muddled ancestry, and pale skinned.

"Since unification the situation is getting worse. You can tell, just walking in the street, from the way people look at you. If you are in uniform it is even worse, and it is to get more so.

He has noticed that T-shirts with a picture of Hitler on them have become popular with some local youths and swastikas have started appearing on walls in Viernheim, the village where he lives. His wife's family, who used to visit most weekends, no longer come to see them. "They don't come over to me and I don't go over to them. No problem."

Tony Jones married his German wife, Margit, 12 years ago when

he left the American forces in Germany to become a paralegal worker. The couple have a sevenyear-old son, Sacha. Mrs Jones once had to deal with being called a "nigger bitch" by other mothers when she picked up her son at kindergarten. "She stopped that. She is a pretty spunky little lady," Mr Jones says proudly.

He can only remember being subjected to racial harassment three times, but two of those occasions were this year. "Germans can't help being Germans. To be German is an absolute. Either you are a German or you

are not.
"You walk into a restaurant and all of a sudden everything is reserved. Or you go and look for an apartment, and you can only find one at a kicked-up rent in a bad area. You can't

prove anything, but it's a hell of a coincidence. "Then there are like basic things markets. It is like you are invisible. They don't see you unless you walk right up and shout in their face."

Mr Jones had studied German at school and asked to be posted there, although he was a bit troubled when he found that he had been billeted in the former SS bar-

racks in Nuremberg. But he liked the country enough to decide to live there when he left the army. and has settled happily in

He, too, has noticed things have changed since unification. "Before there was a certain amount of hesitation. But now the Americans are leaving, we are in a retreat mode. Racism is more overt. The priorities are reversed and the support-mechanism that used to be there doesn't exist any more."

There are no race-discrimination laws in modern Germany on the constitutional grounds that everyone is equal before the law and therefore no one needs special treatment. But the problems of being both black and German are such that an organisation has been formed to ook after their interests. There are 50,000 or more of them now, for the most part the children of US servicemen, like Barbara Feltus-

Ferbst, Boris Becker's girlfriend. Ed Reavis, a black American journalist who married a German nearly 30 years ago, has talked to frustrating to be a black German
— a lot of the white 'enemy' are in
the family. The only black ally is
the father and he usually isn't
around. You only have your white mother and she has probably been disowned by her family.

They don't know who they are. They say that when they were small they fled to the other side of



Mixed blessing: the match between Boris Becker and Barbara Feltus-Ferbst could affect his earnings

the road when they saw another black person coming. They feel threatened by meeting another black person until they grow up

and come to terms with it."
Since unification Mr Reavis has stopped travelling to east Germany where he believes violence is being whipped up against non-Germans by "scum from the west. It is pretty hairy. I have no great desire to have some punk crush my

Black American servicemen. however, tend to be less worried by signs of German racism than they are about discrimination inside the army or back home in the United States. Michael Lamberg. a 41-year-old black former serviceman, has been in Germany for eight years and is the president of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People, voluntary organisation which specialises in race relations. He spends most of his time at Taylor

Barracks, Mannheim, investigating internal complaints, and only deals with about 12 cases a year involving Germans.

or the most part, Ger-mans have been welcoming and continue to be kind and helpful, he insists. "The overall rapport is very good — but black soldiers still have to face the adversities of common. racism." He says there is a "covert tion which makes you feel you are living in a pressure cooker".

Mr Lamberg remembers the advice given to all Gls when they arrive in Germany. "They say we should try to look average and try not to look different. But a black has got his average apparel of curly hair and a dark skin. How do you tell a black American not to look different? As a black you are going to be singled out."
This is more of a problem in

Germany than in other overseas postings, Mr Lamberg says, because there are virtually no blacks in the country, and because there was no German empire, no inherited tradition of working with them. This means that they

are still a curiosity.

He finds banks refuse black soldiers loans, but grant them to whites. Some clubs always say they have full membership lists when a black applies to join. He had to Eritrea after seven months of battle with the bureaucracy. Yet he feels he cannot make too much fuss because that would only make matters worse

He is glad but a little cynical about Boris Becker's concern for racism since he started going out mixed bride, he is going to soil his reputation. A bruised Image will surely mean a bruised pocket

### BLACK AND FLEEING BERLIN

John Amoateng-Cantara, aged 27 and a student of international journalism at City University, London, is the son of a white German woman and a black Ghanaian. Here he describes why he and his wife. Jeannine Cantara, aged 23, a trilingual secretary in the City, found life in Berlin intolerable

cannine and I both have black fathers and white mothers. Most black Germans have black fathers and white mothers. There weren't any black women in Germany in the 1960s; only black GIs and black exchange students.

My father went from Ghana to Hamburg in 1963 to study engineering. Every German university town had a sprinkling of young black men. The white women were the only people who would talk to them and the black students often ended up having surreptitious affairs. My father got my mother pregnant.
My mother's family are very

Roman Catholic, My grandfather was a monk before he married. Imagine how he felt when his daughter told him she was pregnant with a black child. He thought it was revolting but he expected my father to marry her.

I was brought up by my mother in Bonn. My father left home when I was three. As a child, I was regarded as cute and rather exotic. It was only when i grew older and became interested in girls that the problems developed. People no longer considered me sweet: they looked on me as a threat to their blue eyed, blonde-haired

little girls.
At school, I was the only black child. Other children tried to pick on me and I was always fighting. In the end, they were so frightened of me they kept away. I thought people didn't like me for my colour and I desperately wanted to be white. Then I read Malcolm X and the history of the black movement in America and it gave me some self-respect. I called them white bastards, wore a black beret, truanted and became violent. But it gutted me. My mother and grandmother were white and I loved them.

My white uncle got me out of it. He took me to live with him when I was 15 and persuaded me to go back to school again. He was really proud of me when I graduated to Berlin University.

Everything became easier there. It was hard dating white

girls because they felt embarrassed about taking me home. But I made white friends and for the first time the professors were not biased.

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The situation is worse now. I blame the recent wave of racism on unification. People used to be embarrassed to be German after the second world war but when they saw the Berlin Wall disintigrating they felt proud again. Nationalism became acceptable. Germans were all one happy family but blacks weren't part of it.

was in Berlin when the Brandenburg Gate was opened. I climbed the wall and all around me people were singing "Deutschland uber alles". I was told that it was a German celebration and I should go home.

The worst abuse comes from the east Germans. They thought they would be wealthy overnight but they have been crippled by unemployment and the blacks have become

I can't go back to Berlin. I would always be frightened of being attacked. There are certain areas you can't go to. 'Nigger bashing' is now a popular sport. Blacks are beginning to take things into their own hands. They think the police aren't helping matters so they have set up vigilante groups but I don't want to be a part of it. My wife is more frightened than I am. She is fed up with Germany. There were 2.074 registered racist attacks in Germany last year.

My father-in-law has been harassed while waiting at traffic lights. He gets abuse at his work in a printing factory. He feels trapped in his house and visiting friends has become a nightmare. My father left 15 years ago. He didn't feel welcome in Germany so he went to Sweden. I don't blame him for spliting up with my mother. It was hard to keep the marriage going when there was so much prejudice against it. I thought all that had ended but it has come back with a vengeance."



Jeannine Cantara and John Amoateng-Cantara at home in London

### While there are still lonely dreamers in towns, it seems the idyllic rural fantasy of The Archers will live on

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# Where it is forever **Ambridge**

re you an Archers ad-dict? If so, according to Hedli Niklaus, who plays Kathy Perks in the Radio 4 series, you are probably lonely, a town dweller, and far from your original home. The series could well remind you of your childhood and your parents.

She was speaking at the Archers Addicts stand at the Country Living Fair, a peculiar phenomenon which took place last week at Islington's Agricultural Hall in London, now revamped as the Business Design Centre. Here the country came (and went) to town, with their rustic displays of basketry and driedflower arranging. Urbanweary Londoners fantasised about a rural idyll, one in fact created by the marketing men for the sponsors, Country Living magazine.
Essential to the rural idyll

was The Archers, whose cast members manned the addicts stand. They also held daily live Archers performances for visitors keen to see behind the microphone. All day long, there were cries of "Oh so you're Kathy/Peggy/Mike/ Jack" as they stumbled across the stand. Mugs emblazoned
"I'm an Archers Addict" were selling well, as were car stickers and badges reading: "Dum de dum de dum de dum" (the rhythm of the

programme theme tune). People always claim they are buying for someone else. but they are clearly asking

themselves," said Terry Molloy, who plays the depres-sive Mike Tucker. As the visitors were mainly Country Living readers, he said the catchment was "a lot of mother-and-daughter combinations. They are on the whole suburb-dwellers, more Laura Ashley than ethnic."

The performances, on the other hand, attracted unashamed Archers addicts. During question time afterwards they asked anxiously what was to become of Peggy Archer's daughter Jennifer, currently conducting a clandestine affair. "We have our suspicions," answered Peggy. "but we don't really know about it yet." Many want to know whether Shula will eventually be granted a baby by her scriptwriters. "You can't just suddenly give it a happy ending, when other people have been struggling for years to have a child, retorted the producer, Niall

In between wrapping Archers Addicts mugs and T-shirts, Ms Niklaus was musing on the roles this peculiarly British phenome-non foists on both its listeners and players.

For the listeners, it appears. the biggest challenge is iden-tifying the dividing line be-tween reality and illusion. Many take the story so literally that they write in to those who are being duped or cuckolded. "I think you ought



A break from reality: Jill Archer offers Kathy Perks tea and sympathy at Brookfield

to know that your daughter is having a baby / Your ex-wife is carrying on with so-andso," they say. When Sid Perks vanished to London for six weeks, one London-based addict spent all his time search-

ing for him.
On a professional level,
Miss Niklaus explains, each performance offers a technical challenge, such as how to produce convincing kissing sounds when she was recon-ciled with Sid. "Could you make it more vigorous?" the

producer kept asking. "Could you rustle your clothes?" Occasionally, real life overlaps into The Archers. Apart

from the writers often including references to what is happening in the world, sometimes relationships mirror real life. For example, Tracy Jane White, the actress who plays Sid's daughter, Lucy, is the daughter of Alan Devereux, who plays Sid. As June Spencer (Peggy Archer) explained during last Thursday's live performance, there was anguish some years ago among the cast when, in real life, the actor who played Peggy's husband died. His character continued to live a while longer in Ambridge. "It was very harrowing for us." Miss Spencer said.

And so to the tyrannical aspect of living in Ambridge. Being an Archer is quite like entering that other great British establishment family, the Windsors. But unlike the royal family, Archers actors have no security of employprovide them with contracts, and they are all paid at different rates. Moreover, they are puppets whose surtheir script-writers, such as Louise Page, Simon Frith

and Graham Harvey. Hence the distinct impression of insecurity verging on sycophancy by the real-life alter egos of Kathy, Sid, Peggy, and Jack towards pro-ducer Niall Fraser at the live performance last Thursday. They chivvy the audience to vote for Lizzy and Nigel's marriage, thus ensuring the continuing employment of Graham Seed, who plays Nigel, and who was written out of the series for some time recently. On hearing that "Lucy" will probably be coming back into the series, Alan Devereux says: "Tracy Jane will be delighted." Although Ambridge may offer its seven million listeners a sense of escape from the cynical world they inhabit, life in the studio clearly can be cut-throat.

The Archers Addicts Club was the initiative of Terry Molloy. "I put in a proposition to set up an independent company," he says. "The BBC said 'yes', but it would have to be made up solely of members of the cast."

Hence the mugs and the leaflets exhorting people to pay their £10 annual membership fee and join. But with one product, the club committee has perhaps gone too far. This is the Ambridge Village Voice, an imitation of a local newspaper. Its combi-nation of real life (the actress June Spencer being awarded the OBE) and fantasy (Linda Snell's problem page) could tip some addicts over the

SARAH JANE CHECKLAND

Archers Addicts, PO Bax 1951.

# Supporting cast makes a comeback

Jane Mulvagh reports on the highly skilled craft of corsetry, and fresh interest in the uplift of the boned, wired or padded bra

modern accessory; its modernity lies in its deploy-ment. At present it is being deployed as women's frontline weapon with a vengeance. This was brought home to me at Gossard's showroom, where Christine McDonagh, the lingerie buyer for the House of Fraser, was bemoaning the fact that she could not get Wonderbra deliveries fast enough. Sales of this underwired and padded cleavage bra, designed in 1968 and unchanged since, have increased four-fold in the past six months.

At £13.99, the Wonderbra offers the best plunge and uplift value on the market. To date 12 million have been sold. Rachael Vass-Betts, the chief designer at Gossard's, explains that although a more comfortable version could be manufactured with today's stretch fabrics and supple boning, "You wouldn't get the same uplift and cleavage as you do with this fantastic original."

Despite liberation, elastic fab-rics and workouts, women are

employing steel wires in bras, basques and corsets to create that well-endowed look. Their disciplined bosoms call to mind Horace Walpole's account of a young man who had gone into combat against a lady's stays, "They now vear a steel busk down their middle and a rail of the same metal across their breasts. If a hero attempts to storm such strong lines, and comes to a close engage ment, he must lie as ill-at-ease as St Lawrence on his gridiron!"

The mass market has been slow to demand its fashionable bosom. As early as 1980, fashion's focus began to shift when the designer Issey Mivake introduced his moulded plastic bustier, and by 1983 Jean Paul Gaultier's spiral-stitched conical bra had left the fashion press in no doubt that this erogenous zone was the new centrepoint of fashion. Vivienne Westwood's underwear as outer-

The mass market caught on in the late 1980s. According to Gossard, sales of contoured bras rose by 20 per cent in 1989 and,

despite the recession, rose another 10 per cent last year. In the autumn the company will be launching its first padded range for more than two decades, entirange called Smooth Jazz which, while offering uplift, lies smooth under dinging clothes as it has no seams or lace insets.

Over the past five years the mass-market bra manufacturers have come to realise that the bra need not be just a functional item. The consumer is slowly accepting that different bras are needed for different outfits - prompted by fashion shows in department stores that show fashionable clothing alongside the lingerie that should be worn with it - and that the most decorative can be worn to

#### Fabrics that stretch to fit mean now that radical shape need not be uncomfortable

ry, the bra proved to be ahead of its time and women dung to their corsets until the first world war. Then in the 1920s the corset shrank and became variously known as a "bust supporter". "soutien-gorge" or "brassiere". By the mid 1930s, most women were wearing the bra. The bust was exaggerated once more and "falsies", borrowed from the women's sports arena where they were worn for protection, were implanted into bras.

Curiously, in the same period that the Wonderbra was launched. women began "burning" their Kudi Gernreich, ine American dancer-turned-designer popularised the "No Bra Bra". Uplift and padding were out as the fashion-conscious either chose unjettisoned the bra altogether.

Despite this flat focus, the needs of larger women ensured that the corsetry business survived. Spe-cialist stores such as Rigby & Peller of Knightsbridge continued to bone and support the well-endowed and wealthy, while Berlei and others provided mass-market

Aspiring engineers of the corsetry trade are trained at Leicester Polytechnic, which offers the only Contour Fashion degree course in Europe. In the heart of Britain's textile region, with corsetry firms, and the Nottingham lace industry close by, stu-dents learn to sculpt wire, bone, stretch Lycra and Tactel into contoured underwear. It is a highly skilled craft, as such under wear involves many more sections, pads and wiring in its construction, then the natural-style bra. Inspiration is provided by the archives of old corsetry from the disbanded Symmingtons factory now housed at The Leicester Museum, though the extremes of vestervear have to be tempered to fabrics that stretch to fit mean that bra elements that were once rigid can now be pliable, so radical shape need not eliminate comfort.

While the average woman may be satisfied with the plunge and driven to extremes of both shape and investment. Pearl, a New York corset designer, offers readymade corsets for £300 and beaded and belewelled custom-made versions for £2.000 upwards. (Available to order from Browns, South Molton Street, London W1.) He claims to be able to cinch the waist by between six and eight inches, a feat achieved by severe lacing done at three successive fittings, "to gradually reorganise the organs so that you can pull it tighter

There is nothing mass market about Pearl who, with a glint in his eye, draws your attention to the One of his clients, who has achieved an 18-inch waist, sleeps



Shown off to perfection: the balcon bra, used in a leather jacket by Azzedine AlaIa, emphasises the new centrepoint of fashion

# A question of social mobility

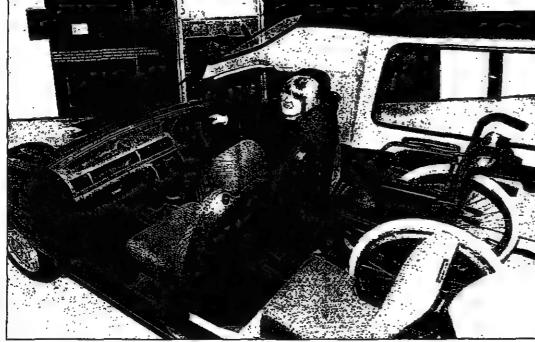
In the macho world of car advertising and design, some real needs have been forgotten

television advertisement A shows a fast-moving car hugging every bend as it negotiates the snaking mountain pass. In another, a car speeds along as the cane fields explode into flames. These are the archetypal images of car advertising. If you have no interest in burning up the road, then the message is that these cars are not for you.

Motor manufacturers continue to spend millions on associating their products with thrilling, youthful images, while the popula-tion gets older. The next 15 years will see the number of male drivers over 65 rise by 45 per cent, and 170 per cent. Add to that the current total of 6.2 million registered disabled and you have a minority all but ignored.

Just as you can ask of someone who claims to be fit. "fit for what?" so you can ask of designers "ergonomic for whom?". The answer is, for the 95 per cent of male, able-bodied users and 50 per cent of women for whom they are designed. If you belong to the wrong 50 per cent of women, are old, or have a mobility problem, you are of marginal interest to the motor manufacturers.

An exhibition at London's Design Museum, More Mileage Car Design for Elderly and Disabled People, is examining how the needs of such people are being met. It leaves you in no doubt that the motor industry does little to cater for the needs of the one



Gwen Lynch: 'The disabled have social lives and the car allows them to continue normal life'

group of people who must have a greater moral right, and need, to drive cars at a time when the rest of us are supposed to be saving natural resources by giving up our cars in favour of public transport.

Gwen Lynch, the mother of two young boys, who suffers from arthritis and who drives a Vauxhall Cavalier that has been adapted to her needs, admitted to being excited by what she saw at the exhibition. It was "enlarging perceptions of disability", she said, and acknowledging that "the disabled have lives, social lives, and the car is the main way of allowing them to continue normal life".

For many disabled drivers, living a normal life might require no more than a car with an automatic

erably) electric windows. Such features are now standard on the executive cars, but out of the financial reach of the majority.

Power steering, however, may be essential for many disabled users, and manufacturers who do not provide it on affordable cars deprive them of a normal life. For others, the answer lies in a specially adapted vehicle such as the Ford Escort, with shallow door sills and long chair cunners so that the seat can be pushed back, as well as a wheelchair hoist and a passenger sear that swivels outwards through 90 degrees, all making for easy

ther drivers need handcontrolled brakes and accelerator, which Volkswagen fits as standard on 400 cars a year. Drivers who want another make will have to go to a specialist, such as Gowrings, who will adapt the car to their needs.

However, Mrs Lynch points out that such add-ons increase the price. When her Vauxhall Cavalier was being adapted she wanted an infra red control for locking and unlocking the doors, which would have cost £350. She did without. With the exception of the French

prototype Gateau Egzo-3H (driven with all hand controls), the cars in More Mileage have been customized, fitted with special

gadgets to make life easier for their drivers and passengers. But the exhibition demonstrates that what is needed is not gadgets but better design. Door handles could be made longer so that they could be opened with two hands, door pockets could be better positioned so that they do not trip you up

when getting out. Ron Williams, a Detroit designer of racing cars, bicycles and wheelchairs, says that when you get into your transport it should feel as if you are wearing it. "The problem with being disabled is that you are forced into shapes that don't fit."

The same goes for old people. As the population ages there will be more and more people whom cars will not fit. They will not be looking for faster acceleration or more exhaust pipes but cars designed to meet their needs. When Mrs Lynch came to drive away the car that had been adapted for her. she was unable to get at the deeply-recessed cup in which the ignition had been set. Only when half a buildog clip had been bolted to her key and bound with insulating tape was she able to turn the engine on. If the manufacturer had ensured the switch was accessible, mobility would not have hung on the driver's handicraft

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f you have a feel for decoration and ornamentation, a new, permanent gallery in the V&A could transport you to heaven. The gallery — the first of its kind anywhere in the world. according to the museum, and five years in the making — examines the use of European ornament from 1450 to the present day. The definition of ornamentation - the application of decoration to any given object, rather than the object itself - gave the exhibitors a wide

brief, and there is a vast and diverse range of products.

The overall design of the exhibition is logical and accessible, though the first room hurls the visitor in at the deep end by juxtaposing 17th-century hand-books detailing the use of ornament in engravings with early 20th-century peach tin labels. Fragments of wallpaper, cartouches and applique gilding demonstrate the way in which such motifs as acanthus leaves or swags can cross continents.

Most outlandish is the display of a 1990 zipped and studded black leather jacket next to a similarly aggressive piece of 16th-century leg armour. Solid colour applications are represented by a tartan sash (not a relic from the Bay City Rollers fan club, but English and dating from 1850) and Rietveld's famous red/blue chair (over which hovers, for no immediately discernible reason, a model of Concorde).

Decorative piercing is illustrated in the twin forms of an elegant Josef Hoffmann vase — the cubic reticulation of which echoes much of Mackintosh's work - and an enormous, clod-hopping brogue shoe, its undulating perforations very familiar, but rather strange



Customised 1990s jacket

# Tastes of the ornate

Is decoration art? A unique gallery at

the V & A could settle the argument

when viewed in isolation. A line of contemporary aluminium hub-caps is hung like precious plaques over a very ornate marble garden bench, which is next to a gathering of 18th-century earthernware, 1991 Reebok trainers (the most decorative aspects of which are the purple and blue soles), a 1960s opart tie, and a 1970s pocket calculator. All of which leads the visitor to wonder whether this opening shot was assembled by a loony after good lunch, but the successive four sections bring logic to bear on what is a very artful assembly.

T ext comes the room devoted to the classical architectural orders, blissfully calming after all the razzmatazz. The visitor enters through a beautiful 18th-century Doric doorcase rescued from a Kensington house due for demolition and is immediately surrounded by every manner of column and capital: Palladio's engravings. Adam's variations, a superb French model of the five orders of 1780. and an even more gorgeous 19th-century model of Bramante's Tempietto in Rome, in walnut and

pearwood. Paintings must endure the ignominy of having been hung for the architectural significance of their frames, and examples of jarringly ungrammatical applications of the five Orders are shown to

illustrate just what is correct. The constant factor over the centuries - common to artefacts as various as weapons, urns, Wedgwood jasperware, advertis-ing logos, tableware, mantelpieces, jewellery and shopfronts -

is the ornamental motif. Imaginary animals, ranging from the Sphinx to Mickey Mouse by way of the unicorn, recur constantly, as do the pelts and plumage of the real thing: peacocks, snakes, zebras, tigers, as well as a wiggly all-over pattern

called vermiculation, said to be imitative of worm tracks, and much used by Vanessa Bell and, more recently, Zandra Rhodes.
Although the gallery is nominal-

ty restricted to Europe, in the final section a nod is given in the direction of Islam, India, Egypt, Africa, China and Japan. However, the applications of their most famous motifs are just as likely to emanate from a European country as from their own, as exemplified by a 1760 Dutch tin-glazed earthenware plate depicting blue and white 15th-century Chinese vases

against a bright yellow ground.
Eventually, the new European
Omament Gallery may be seen to
be a microcosm of the entire V&A. This will be not be just because the new gallery is accessible and fun. nor because it anchors together disparate motifs into a compre-hensible whole, but quite simply because it articulates so admirably the sense of order.

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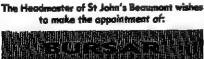
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# Inspecting the options

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O'Leary on the political side of school inspections

omorrow's debate in the House of Lords may get the Parent's Charter on to the statute book in time for a general election, but it certainly will not end the controversy over school inspections. Labour will continue to oppose

the government's plans to privatise school inspections, although Conservative peers are unlikely to be ambushed a second time on the Education (Schools) Bill. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary. has grudgingly accepted the com-promise dictated by the Lords' amendments, but might soon return to the subject in the event of a Conservative election victory. The original inspection plans

were the most radical of the government's education reforms. The switch to private inspection teams bought in by the schools themselves struck at the heart of education orthodoxy, undermining local services and removing the main function of Her Majes ty's Inspectorate, the 150-year-old cornerstone of the state system.

The Lords' amendments have

restored the right of local authority inspectors to enter schools, and have made the head of HMI responsible for the selection of full inspection teams. The bill still requires schools to be inspected every four years, however, as well as allowing private teams to tender for inspection business. The money to administer the new system will be removed from local authority budgets, and put in the hands of school governors.

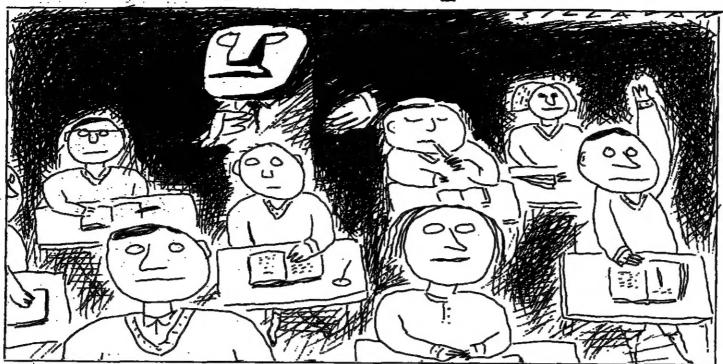
Mr Clarke, putting a brave face on a climbdown, argued that the selection of inspectors was a "minor point". His opponents pre-ferred the verdict of Lady Blatch, the government's education spokesman in the Lords, that the amendments would "tear the heart out of the bill".

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Whoever is right, the amendout of the debate. Conservative critics have achieved their main will not now hire inspectors. Lord Beloff, who once described the bill as the silliest ever to come before Parliament, says: "It is still not the accepts that change is needed.



#### CONSERVATIVE

THE Parent's Charter promises full inspections of every school every four years. Governors would publish a summary, and explain steps taken to deal with criticism. Inspection teams could be run by local authorities or private companies, but would have to include parents. They would be paid for by the schools, which would have up to £30,000 from local authorities for the purpose. HMI would have its numbers cut from 480 to 175, concentrating on research and the accreditation of local inspectors.

bill I would have written, but at least governors will not now be responsible for competitive tendering. I imagine there will have to be an amending bill when we see how this works in practice."

Some of those with recent experience of the inspection system doubt that it will work. Dr Terry Melia, the senior chief inspector, is maintaining a diplomatic silence, but his two predecessors believe that the workload involved in approving 25,000 inspection teams could cripple HMI.

Professor Eric Bolton, now of the Lendon University institute of

education, says: "I do not think it is workable. HMI would turn into a regulatory body when its real ments have taken much of the heat: strength is in the knowledge gained from inspections."

Sheila Browne, the principal of Newnham College, Cambridge. tive reforms or the Labour alternative are the answer, although she

#### LABOUR

AN Education Standards Commission, independent of government, would oversee the work of a combined inspectorate incorporating HMI and local authority services. The commission would report to Parliament, rather than ministers, and its members would be approved by the Education Select
Committee of the Commons. The advisory
and monitoring roles of HMI would be
separated. Schools would be inspected at
least every five years, and the reports
circulated to parents.

The value of this is that it gives have made it inevitable that there time for thought. The debate has will be changes in inspection. done quite a lot of good if it has And, whatever the reservations made existing agencies of inspec-tion consider what their contribuabout the league tables and in-spection system of the Parent's Charter, the government's initiation should be." Labour claims that the amendtive has touched a nerve on the ments mirror the party's proposals for a system linking national and amount of information available to parents. Although HMI visited 7,000 schools and colleges last

cation Standards Commission, year and observed more than 50,000 lessons, it issued only 228 which would function indepeninstitutional reports. dently of government. A new bill Local inspections do not fill the would be required, however, to gulf. Few reports are published, and the dual responsibilities of local authority employees encourimplement the new structure. Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, rejects the view taken age some to protect schools by by Professor Bolton and Miss Browne that such a body would in his annual report, said that only have little influence if it lost the ear

local inspectorates under an Edu-

of ministers. "The history of the last 13 years is one of HMI being a third of local inspection systems inspired confidence. ignored and finding the split between public and private ac-Yet with management consulcountability intolerable. Getting new inspection market. Mr Clarke has accepted that most of the work will be undertaken by local authoreverything out into the open will make them far more effective." If nothing else, the proposals ity teams. Without a link to a

#### LIB-DEM

HER Majesty's Inspectorate would be strengthened, taking on the role of ombudsman, in addition to traditional duties. Reports would be independent of government, assessing standards nationally and monitoring local inspection. Local inspectors would employed by education authorities, but would be legally responsible to HMI. Schools would be inspected on a four-year cycle, but there would also be interim inspections. Parents would be able to appeal to HiMI to arbitrate in disputes.

> national body, there must be a risk that the new system will provide more of the same.

Concern remains, too, about the emphasis on four-yearly full inspections. Private consultants and inspectors' organisations have argued that the system needs to be more flexible. Miss Browne says: "I remember making a regular inspection of grammar schools and unwittingly writing a report almost exactly the same as the last one because there was so little scope for change in the school."

Professor Bolton believes that a

new system could be adapted in a number of ways, perhaps incorporating elements of the French system, which links a national inspection force with local services. Too much political capital has been invested in the proposals for will survive for long in their present form, whichever party wins the election.

# **Parents can** appraise, too

STANDARDS in schools would be raised overnight if the good teachers were rewarded and the bad teachers were sacked. Goats to the left for their P45s and sheep to the right for their extra incentive allowances. As politicians have realised, firm action of this kind would be widely supported by the public. But how easy is it to sort out the good from the bad?

Improvement of teaching and learning needs more than the big stick and a juicy carrot, because most teachers are neither exceptionally good nor unremittingly bad. This is where a teacher appraisal scheme could be more effective than the stick or carrot approach. The education sec-

retary is already convinced that the compulsory national ap-praisal scheme will "enhance the professional skills of teachers and hence improve the education VIEWPOINT

12/91). The two-year ap-praisal cycle in-

volves the collection of information, classroom observation, interview and, most importantly, an action plan for improvement. Its regulations accentuate the positive with a view to eliminating the neg-

ative. Recognition of achieve-ment, improvement of skills, career development, better management of teachers and help and training for "school teachers having difficulties with their performance" are all aims of the scheme.

This is all good stuff, but will it work? There are a number of problems that have to be tackled for appraisal to work. Promotions have often been

based on subjective judgments and expediency. Where senior managers have proven trouble-some or ineffective, they have been simply sidelined, their inflated salary intact, and someone else appointed for the job. Teachers, who have often been left ignerant of the cribeen left ignorant of the cri-teria for promotion, regard such action as unjust. Many complain that no one tells them how they are doing. Disciplinary procedures are often ignored or used ineptly.

scheme provides a chance to do much better, but given the inertia in the system, great efforts will have to be made if it is not to degenerate into a paper exercise.

The "consumer" can help. School governors should take a positive interest in individual appraisal action plans, and monitor their outcomes.

Where the support and train-ing of an ineffective teacher have not produced results, for example, governors should ar-range for the teacher to receive advice about alternative employment. Where he or she is determined to stay put, there are existing procedures for early retirement or where all else fails, dismissal. Effective heads and governors should not "pass the parcel" and provide reference for teaching jobs in other schools, which is fair neither to those schools nor the fail-

Derek Esp

ing teachers.
Parents should be much more pre-pared to provide feedback of teacher performance - to tion of good teaching and to ask what improve ineffective teaching. Some schools are leading the way dealing with the problem of pos-sible victimisation

of the child by providing regu-lar opportunities for parents to provide an anonymous feed-

Unfortunately, some schools find it difficult to deal effectively with failing teachers. Ineffective teachers are damaging, and I am convinced that teacher appraisal helps schools to deal with this problem. But it requires the will to make it work, and unless sheep are justly rewarded and goats are dispatched, most teachers will remain sceptical about ap-praisal. Worse still, pupils will continue to suffer the long-term consequences of ineffective

teaching.
"School failure" on the part of the pupil will be the result of management failure. Con-sumer support and enquiry will be welcomed by effective schools and may help to

galvanise the laggards. The author is an education

# Independence brings a new challenge

A firer a tough week in which he saw one of his pet schemes over-turned by the House of Lords. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, can at least be relieved that his Further and Higher Education Act has reached the statute book.

nest at 600 further, tertiary and sixth form colleges in England and Wales to prepare for their independence. They leave local authority control in April 1993.

Graham Phillips, of the Henley College, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, is typical of many principals who have already begun to plan for the new corporate status, which was granted to the polytechnics in 1988. A peak of activity is expected from April to October.

Principal of the college in the college in the formed through

since it was formed through amalgamation in 1987, Mr Phillips is a man who picks his words carefully. He says: "Colleges are now mature enough to run their own affairs. Principals and governors will employ their own staff, handle their own budgets, and be responsible for land and buildings. Many are already in an advanced stage of planning."

If the flow sheets and charts of aims, responsibilities and likely difficulties are any guidance, then Henley is well advanced. Management systems are in place and senior staff have a clear idea of what is expected of them. Governors with expertise in financial, personnel and property management will be appointed as the college becomes responsible for the services previously supplied by Oxfordshire County Council.

Now that the act has been passed some uncertainties may be removed, such as the way the two national funding councils for England and Wales will work with the regional advisory committees and the local training and enterprise councils. Mr Phillips lists the advantages as freedom of action, increased compesition. improved qualiAs colleges run their own affairs, a warning of the possible dangers



Principal planner: Graham Phillips of Henley College

ty, clear priorities and the ability to plan.

He is equally clear, however er, about the possible disadvantages. He fears that the less popular colleges and courses could go to the wall, as they and the difficult students may find they have nobody to protect them. The adult education needs of the local community, an impor-tant aspect of life in Henley. could be neglected.

"We hope we will be able to continue to satisfy community needs, and that we will begiven the funding to do that," Mr Phillips says.

"At its worst, competitive bidding for increased student numbers could serve to promote only the needs of institutions, while at its best, cooperation could best serve the needs of individual students. This is a key area where tension or conflict could

emerge in the future." In planning a successful move to independence, Mr Phillips says that it is essential to set conditions and develop

quality improvement systems and processes across the college, beginning with manage-

ment information systems. project management and good communications. Once the systems are in place, the key objectives, he says, are to provide systematic guidance and support for all students and to develop a high-quality profile to im-prove good relations with

everybody using the college. High-quality, adaptable and well-motivated staff will be essential if the college is to improve viability through increased participation, selective diversification and more efficient teaching methods.

The proportion of those staying on in full-time education at 16 in England and Wales averages 53 per cent, but the rate for Herdey is 75 per cent, so scope for improvement is limited. The government wants to raise the present one in-five who now enter higher education to one-in-three by 2000, and expects the collects to play a

pivotal role once they run their own affairs.

Vital in improving the numbers continuing in fulltime training and education will be the extent to which the division between the makers and the thinkers, which characterises so much of British education, can be broken down. Mr Phillips says that at his 4.500-strong college every course and student enjoys parity of esteem.

"The key will be the extent to which employers and higher education institutions will accept the new qualifica-tions, and there are still some doubts," he says.

enley offers about 20 Business and Tech-nician Education Council (BTec) courses, as International Baccalaureate. New courses such as performing arts and more finance. accounting and business qualifications are likely to be introduced following independence. Mr Phillips is also discussing joint courses with West London and Oxford polytechnics.

Funding in the first year of independence is unlikely to be very different from the present £7 million a year, but financial incentives are likely to follow and many principals believe they will be able to embark on building and improvement projects more quickly than has been possiole in the past.

Each college will set what it believes is a reasonable average cost for each student, but the government hopes that as a result of the reforms this average cost will drop.

For all of this to be possible, Mr Phillips says, the college will have to discover more ways of raising money, perhaps from the European Community and organisations and companies. Deirdre Kimbell, one of Henley's vice principals, says wry-ly: "Bidding for money is something that we are going to have to get good at."

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# No liability for pre-death injury

Before Lord Templeman, Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Griffiths, Lord Goff of Chieveley and Lord Browne-Wilkinson

[Speeches March 5] The parents of two girls who died in the Hillsborough football stadium disaster were not entitled to damages for the benefit of the girls' estates in respect of injuries that they had suffered before their

The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by Mr Trevor Hicks and Mrs Jennifer Hicks, joint administrators of the estates of Sarah Louise Hicks and Victoria Jane Hicks, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Parker, Lord Justice Stocker and Lord Justice Nolan) (1992) All ER 690) who had dismissed their appeal from Mr Justice Hidden.

Mr B. A. Hymer, QC and Mr T. R. A. King, QC, for Mr and Mrs Hicks; Mr W. C. Woodward, QC and Mr Patrick Limb for the defendant, Mr Peter Wright, sued as the Chief Constable of South Variable Delice.

LORD BRIDGE said that at the time of the disaster, on April 15, 1989, Sarah and Victoria had been 19 and 15 respectively. Moreona nade been 19 and 15 respectively. Mand Mrs Hicks claimed damages under the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1934 for the benefit of the estate of each daughter. The chief constable did not dispute his liability to persons who had suffered damage in the

No one could feel anything but the greatest sympathy for the relatives of those who had died in the disaster. The anguish of parents caused by the death in such a horrifying event of sons and daughters who had been on the very threshold of life must have been almost

But the common law had never awarded damages for the pain of bereavement. The Administra-tion of Justice Acr. 1982 had

creased to £7,500, but only for the benefit of a spouse in respect of the death of the other spouse or for the benefit of parents in respect of the death of a minor

The same Act, by section I, had abolished the right to an award of damages in a conventional sum for the benefit of the deceased's estate under the 1934 Act in respect of the deceased's loss of expectation of life, save to a limited extent that was not relevant to the present case. Such conventional awards had long been felt to be anomalous.

In respect of Sarah's and Vic-toria's deaths there had been no dependency and thence no claim under the Fatal Accidents Acts. Thus, apart from a bereavement claim under the 1982 Act in respect of Victoria, a claim for damages in respect of injuries suffered before death had been the only claim that Mr and Mrs

Hicks could bring.
Their action, and another tried at the same time, had been said to be test cases that would afford guidance in relation to other similar claims arising out of the

Their Lordships had been assured by counsel, and his Lord-ship had no reason to doubt it, that the action had been brought not for the sake of the money that might be awarded but rather to mark the anger of those parents and other bereaved relatives at what had occurred.

But whatever justification there might be for that anger had no relevance to damages in a civil action for negligence, which were compensatory, not punitive.

The difficulty that immediately

confronted Mr and Mrs Hicks was that the question what inju-ries Sarah and Victoria had suffered before death had been purely one of fact and that the judge's conclusion on the evi-dence that the plaintiffs had failed to discharge the onus of proving any such injury sufficient to attract an award of damages had the Court of Appeal.

Mr and Mrs Hicks had there-

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fore to persuade the House of Lords to reverse those concurrent findings if they were to succeed. The House of Lords approached concurrent findings of fact with special restraint: Higgins v J. & C. M. Smith (Whiteinch) Ltd (1990 SC 63, 82); Owners of the "P. Caland" and Freight v Glamorgan Steamship Co Ltd [[1893] AC 207).

The evidence had shown that both girls had died from traumatic asphyxia. Medical evidence accepted by the judge had been to the effect that in cases of death from traumatic asphyxia caused by crushing the victim would lose consciousness within a matter of seconds from the crushing of the chest that cut off the ability to breathe and would die within five There had been no indication

in the post-mortem reports on either girl of physical injuries attributable to anything other than the fatal crushing that had caused the asphyxia, save, in Sarah's case, some superficial bruising that, on the evidence, could have occurred either before or after loss of consciousness.

The judge had not been sat-isfied that any physical injury had been sustained before what he had described as the "swift and sudden (death) as shown by the medical evidence".

Unless the law were to distin-guish between death within sec-

onds of injury and unconsciousness within seconds of injury followed by death within minutes, which his Lordship did not understand to be suggested, those findings had made it impos-sible for the judge to award

The Court of Appeal had carefully reviewed the evidence and concluded, in agreement with the judge, that it did not establish that any physical injury had been caused before the fatal crushing

injury.
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that they had been wrong. A good deal of argument in the courts below and before the House had been addressed to the question whether damages for physical injuries should be increased on account of the terrifying circumstances in which they had been inflicted.

That might depend on difficult questions of causation but on the facts found in the present case it. did not arise for decision. It was perfectly clear law that fear by itself, of whatever degree, was a normal human emotion for which no damages could be awarded.

Those trapped in the crush at Hillsborough who had been fortu-nate enough to escape without injury had no claim in respect of the distress that they had suffered in what must have been a truly terrifying experiense.
It followed that fear of impend-

by the judge and the Court of Appeal had been fairly open to

them and it was impossible to say

ing death felt by the victim of a fatal injury before that injury was inflicted could not by itself give rise to a cause of action that survived for the benefit of the victim's estate. Lord Templeman, Lord Grif-fiths, Lord Golf and Lord

Browne-Wilkinson agreed. Solicitors: Sharpe Pritchard for Silverman Livermore, Liverpool, Cuff Roberts, Liverpool, John Pickering, Liverpool, Ford & War-ren, Leeds, Alexander Harris & Co, Sale and Mace & Jones, Huyton; Penningtons for Ham-mond Suddards, Bradford.

Before initiating proceedings for judicial review of school closure decisions, care should be taken to

assèss whether what was being sought was not an oblique appeal.

# Warned List)

Once an appeal in the short warned list was called on for bearing, counsel instructed in it came under an immediate personal professional duty to ensure that his lay client was represented at the hearing by counsel fully instructed and able to argue the

appeal.
Should there be any doubt as to his own availability, it was his duty at once to inform his instructing solicitor that he would have to return the brief and to assist in finding other counsel whose availability was certain. Breaches of counsel's duty in that regard, which resulted in

adjournments and the other party's costs being thrown away. could not be allowed to continue. Lord Donaldson of Lymington. Master of the Rolls, sitting in the Court of Appeal with Lord Justice Stocker and Lord Justice Farquharson so stated in a practice direction on March 4.

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the short warned list, the working of which was explained in note 59/1/10 of The Supreme Court Practice 1991 at pp883-884, was essential if the available judge power in the civil division of the Court of Appeal was to be used to the best advantage of all users of the court.

The purpose of the list was not to avoid keeping judges waiting. It was simply a matter of taking

Judicial review inappropriate

MT Justice Macpherson so stated in the Queen's Bench Division on March 4 rejecting an application by Edward Banham for judicial review of decisions by the Secretary of State for Edu-cation, Dorset County Council and Salisbury Diocesan Board of

elapse before decisions were given, by making the best possible use of a scarce resource in the public interest: see Practice Direction (Court of Appeal: Presentation of Argument) [[1989] 1 WLR 59/1/10).

281, 283). No one had ever doubted but that parties to appeals would usually prefer to be represented by the counsel who represented them in the court below. That was both reasonable and understandable. However, if the best use was to

be made of the court's judicial resources it was necessary to make a distinction between those cases which, viewed objectively, really needed to be presented by a particular chosen counsel and those which did not.

Between 75 per cent and 80 per cent of cases were given fixtures. The registrar of civil appeals was charged with the duty of selecting the minority of cases which in his view could reasonably be expected to be mastered by counsel other than the one originally instructed man me one originally instructed on half a day's notice, or in the case of those so designated? where substitute counsel would require rather more than half a day's notice to prepare" (pp883-4)] on 48 hours' notice. Those were then assigned to the short warned list and the assignment notified to the parties.

The registrar would always consider applications to remove appeals from the short warned list on the ground that they were not of the appropriate character.

Education to close three schools

court had no appellate jurisdic-tion on judicial review. Its role

was purely supervisory and it could intervene only if there were shown to be illegality, procedural impropriety or unfairness.

HIS LORDSHIP said the

in Sherborne, Dorset.

assignment. It was far too late to do so when or after notification was given that such an appeal was "on call" (see paragraph 4 of note

Once an appeal was called on for hearing it became the immedi-ate personal professional duty of counsel instructed in the appeal to ensure that his lay client was represented at the hearing by counsel fully instructed and able to argue the appeal.

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that counsel, but if at that time there was any doubt as to his availability it would be his duty at once to inform his instructing solicitor that he would have to return the brief and to assist the solicitor in finding other counsel who could be certain of his

While there might be logistical advantages in substitute counsel being a member of the same chambers any choice had to be

Recently there had been a number of instances of clear breaches of that duty, usually because counsel or his clerk had delayed arrangements for the nansfer of his baef in the hope that something would occur which would enable him to appear. As a result appeals had to be adjourned and costs incurred by the other party infown away.

That could not be allowed to continue and it should be known that the court had power under section 51 of the Supreme Court Act 1981, as substituted by section 4 of the Courts and Legal Services Act 1990, to order counsel who had failed to ensure that substitute counsel were briefed in time to prepare for the hearing of the appeal to pay any wasted

Further or alternatively, the court had power to refer counsel's conduct, either personally or vicariously by his clerk, to the Bar Council for consideration of whether disciplinary proceedings

# Plea to extend scope of Act

Pidduck v Molloy

The Domestic Violence and Matrimonial Proceedings Act 1976 should be extended to include those who had lived together as husband and wife in the same household as well as those who were continuing to do so, since the need for a non-molestation order was often greater in cases where such a relationship had existed but then broken down.
The Court of Appeal (Lord.

Donaldson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Stocker and Lord Justice Farquharson) so stated on March 2 allowing in part an appeal by William Molloy from Judge Mahon at Barrow-In-Furness County Court and varycommittal proceedings brought by the plaintiff, Janet Pidduck, with whom the defendant Mr Molloy had previously lived and

The plaintiff had begun an action for damages for trespass. assault and battery and had obtained an injunction in those proceedings to restrain the defendant from, inter alia, assaulting or threatening her or trespossing on her property.

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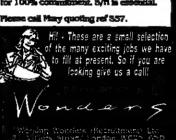
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1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (40373539) 1.50 Going for Gold. General knowledge quiz with European contestants. The question-

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6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. Weather

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6.30 Regional News Magazines (335). Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Wogan. Includes Michael Ball singing the first two entries in this year's search for a "Song for Europe" challenger (s) (4002)
7.30 Watchdog. Consumer magazine presented by Lynn Faulds Wood and John Stapleton (847)

8.00 Mulberry. John Esmonde and Bob Larbey's tepid cornedy series starring Geraldine McEwan as Miss Farnaby, the crabby employer of handyman Mulberry (Karl Howman). (Ceefax) (s) (2462)
8.30 Wildlife On One: Babies Beware. Why the small babies of Jodhpur's Hanuman langur monkeys are in a race against time to grow up. (Ceefax) (s) (9557)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news

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9.30 Panorama: Sliding Into Stump. What has caused Britain's deepest recession since the 1930s? Peter Jay talks to Nigel Lawson, Sir Alan Wallers, Nicholas Ridley, Bernard Ingham, Lord Jenkins and Denis Healey (213460)

10.10 Match of the Day: The Road to Wembley. Highlights of tonight's FA cup quarter-final tie between Chelsea and Sunderland at Stamford Bridge, introduced by Desmond Lynam (927286). Northern Ireland: Scan 10.40 Cagney and Lacey

10.55 Cagney and Lacey. Policewomen drams series (r). (Ceelax) (520422). Northern Ireland: 11.30 Match of the Day



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12.00 Weather (7428958). Ends at 12.05am

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6.45 Open University: Images in Hogarth's Paintings (8076170). Ends

8.00 Breakfast News (9713170)

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8.30 Boating Butler. Tony Butler takes a look at life on the waterside between Upton-upon-Severn and Stourport (r) (78847)

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4.30 Slow Boat From Surabaya. Jack Pizzy Investigates religious rituals in south-east Asia (r). (Ceefax) (4425731) 5.25 Film 92 Special with Barry Norman. An interview with director

Martin Scorsese (r) (s) (3154408)

6.00 The Addams Family (b/w). Classic ghoulish comedy based on the cartoon characters from the New Yorker magazine. (Ceefax)

6.25 DEF II begins with The Fresh Prince Of Bel Air. Adventures of an inner-city Pittsburgh boy who is sent to live with wealthy rein affluent California (928248) 6.45 Open to Question. Disabled actor Nabil Shaban answers questions from a young audience (461354) 7.20 Kingsize Canary. A classic Tex Avery carbon

7.30 Young Musician of the Year: Masterclass. The third of five masterclasses given to participants from the 1990 and current Young Musician of the Year competitions. This week hom soloist Michael thompson gives encouragement to a trumpeter, a

euphonium player and a French horn player (s) (853847)

8.10 Horizon: The Strange Life and Death of Dr Turing.

CHOICE: Christopher Sykes's clear and accessible portrait of the eccentrically brillient Alan Turing is inevitably as much about the man as the scientist. Turing was an outstanding mathematician. During the second world war he was the leading figure in the breaking of the Second work white was the leasing figure in the breaking of the German Enigma codes which saved allied shipping from huge losses from U-boat attacks. His lifelong obsession was to build a machine that could think. Along the way he hit on the principles of modern computer science. Turing was also a homosexual. His affair with a young man in Manchester led to a conviction for gross indecency and may have contributed to his suicide at the age of 41, in 1950 he had predicted that a "thinking machine" could be built by the end of the century. Bringing the Turing story up to date, the film reveals how far scientists have got. (Ceefax) (s) (902847)

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Baddiel, Hugh Dennis, Rob Newman and Steve Punt (s) (7793)



Prison visit: David Hayman and Christine Kavanagh (9.30pm)

9.30 Underbelly. The final part of Peter Ransley's political thriller starring David Hayman and Tom Wilkinson. (Ceetax) (s) (68847) 10.30 Newsaight presented by Sue Cameron (507606) 11.15 The Late Show. Includes a profile of Egyptian writer Alaa Hamid (s) (401118) 11.55 Weather (308644) 12.00 Open University: Poverty in the 1930s (21836). Ends at 12.30am

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10.05 Casualties of Wer (1986): Visinam wer drams. Starring Michael J. Fox (519649) 12.00 My Bloody Velentine (1981): A nurderer benoriese a missing community (847381) 1.40sm Debajo del Mundo (1986): A Polish temby hides from the Nacis (840039) 3.25 Night of the Generals (1967): A Nazi kvestigates a seriest of prostituta murders (3610039), Ends at 6.46sm THE COMEDY CHANNEL.

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Nicky Campbell Goes into the Night 12.00-4.00am Bob Hanis (FM only)

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1.10em Demonstone (1989): A reporter is posessed by a Filipino demon (255045)
2.46 Lambade — The Forbidden Denos (1989): A South American princess competes in a dance contest (1980): A Maris boss is unable to control his daughter. Starting Tony Curis (146652). Ends at 6.00

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8.16am The Buccarver (1938, b/w): Fradric March stars as a pirate (1995, b/w): Pirate Errol Flynn falls in love with Otivis de Havilland (7894489)

10.15 The Chalk Garden (1995): A governess takes a post at a lonely difficient house (739731)

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2.15 Arsenic and Old Lace (1942, b/w): Two aged sunts poison visitons to their home. Sterring Cery Grant (76666712)
4.25 The Return to Boggy Creek (1977: Children's monster adventure (11596335)
6.16 B.L. Stryker – Die Laughing (1969: A desective is essigned to protect a comedian. Starring Burt Reynolds (997731)
8.15 Standey and irts (1990): Romance with Robert De Niro, Jane Fonds (12257915)
10.05 Cassatides of War (1969): Visitnam wer drams. Starring Michael J. Fox (519544)
12.00 My Bloody Valentine (1961): A murderer terrorises a mining community (847381)

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villager studies in Athens (2809) 6.00 Siere Essentials (1990): A

#### ITV

9.25 Lucky Ladders. Word association game hosted by Lennie Bennatt (9226083) 9.55 Thames News (6181170) 10.00 The Time...The Place... Mike Scott chairs a topical discussion (6647847)

10.40 This Morning. Magazine series (4409084) 12.10 Rosle and Jim. Children's puppet series 12.30 ITN Lunchtime News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler

(Oracle). Weather (7781064) 1.10 Thames News (77151267) 1.20 Home and Away. (Oracle) (63724083) 1.50 A Country Practic (s) (96957083)

2.20 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley looks at options for adult education (46069199) 2.50 Families. Soap linking the north of England with Australia (6152083) 3.15 ITN News headlines (3690557) 3.20 Thames News headlines

(3660170) 3.25 The Young Doctors. City-based Australian medical drama senal (8061422)

1.55 Cartoon teaturing Sylvester the cet (6602118) 4.00 T-Bag and the Sunstones of Montezuma. Last in the adventure series (6689267) 4.25 Chip 'n' Dale -- Rescue Rangers. Cartoon (5941731) 4.50 Utterly Brilliant. Timmy Mallett learns about sand sculptures (s) (5987422)

5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz (8758712)

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5.40 ITN Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (707199)

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5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley with news of National Adult Learners Week (573712)
6.00 Home and Away (\*) (Oracle) (151)
6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) (731)
7.00 Wish You Were Here . . ? Judith Chalmers visits Seville, the host city for Exco '92, John Carter takes in the Orkneys and the Hebrides and Nick Owen returns to Corfu for the first time in 15 years. (Oracle) (s) (9170) 7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (915)

8.00 Take Your Pick. A revival of the 1950s game show with Dea O'Connor in the Michael Miles role and contestants having to decide whether to open the box or take the money (s) (5118)

8.30 World in Action: No Fixed Abode. The first of a two-part report on London's homeless, compiled by a reporter who has been living rough on the streets of the capital for the past month (4625)



A multitude of plots: Michael Kitchen and Isla Blair (9.00pm)

CHOICE: In the days when it ran for an hour The Bill used to boast of the number of storylines it could cram into one episode. The returning Scottish legal drama seems bent on doing the same thing. At a rough count there must be a dozen or so plots and subthing. At a rough count there must be a dozen or so plots and subplots interwoven in tonight's instalment, from murder
investigations to an unstable dergymen' (played by Hugh Freser of
Point) and the show's thrusting young solicitor (Ewan Stewart)
splitting with his girffriend. The most important line to follow is
probably that of the barrister (Michael Kitchen) accused of killing
his wife. Meanwhile Duribur and Partners, the law firm at the heart
of the series, continues to be kept affect by the brisk and
glamorous Isla Blair. With two episodes to go there is no shortage
of tantalising loose ends waiting to be tied up. (Ceefsx) (7422)

18.00 News at Ten with Julia Somerville and Carol Barnes. (Oracle)
Weather (77118) 10.30 Thames News (101373)

10.40 Film: When A Stranger Calls (1979) starring Charles Durning and
Carol Kane. Effective stomach-chumer about the killer of two
children who escapes from prison and begins to terrorise the only

children who escapes from prison and begins to terrorise the only witness to the murders — the children's babysitter. Directed by Fred Wallon (21805199)

on Sportsworld Extra. Includes golfing action from the Balearic open in Majorca (78478)

1.30 Pilm: They Call it Murder (1971) starring Jim Hutton and Jessica Walter. Pilot for an abortive TV series about a gambler who fakes his own death in order to escape paying his debts and then tries to collect the insurance money. Directed by Walter Grauman (76403) 3.30 Reep the Whirtwind. Drama serial set in 19th century Cape Town

4.30 Stage 1. Raindancer and Pale Saints in concert (86294) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Nelson (22519). Ends at 6.00

#### CHANNEL 4

**6.00 Channel 4 Dally (3696489) 9.25 Schools (54063199)** 

12.00 Right to Reply. Viewer Jean Davies reports on what is being done for the children of St Petersburg after the Dispatches programme Mother Russia's Children. Among the people she talks to are Tom Roberts, the film's director, Lynda Chalker, overseas development minister, and Anatoli Danilitski, a Russian embassy official (r). (Teletext) (s) (67731)

12.30 Business Daily. Susannah Simons with news from the world's financial centres (86354)

1.00 Sesame Street. Entertaining early learning series. The guest is

actress Tyne Daly (81809)

2.00 Film: Upstairs and Downstairs (1961) starring Michael Crarg and Anne Heywood. Anodyne comedy about a young mamed couple and their attempts to engage a reliable live-in cook/housekeeper. Directed by Raiph Thomas (647809)

3.55 Icaro. Italian animator Antonella Abatiello's version of the icarus

myth (6693460) 4.00 Flowering Passions. The third of Anna Pavord's ten-part senes

features growers preparing for the Chesterfield Chrysanthemum and Dahlia Show (r). (Teletext) (644)

4.30 Countdown. Richard Whiteley with another round of the words and numbers game. For the next three days he is joined in the Dictionary Corner by actor Norman Painting from The Archers (2021)

5.00 The Late Late Show. Dublin's music and chat show hosted by

Gay Byrne (6083)
6.00 The Cosby Show. American domestic comedy sense starring Bill Cosby (r) (Teletext) (793)
6.30 Tonight with Jonathan Ross (s) (373)
7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (632915)
7.50 Comment (818977)

8.30 Brookside. Soap set in suburban Merseyside. (Teletext) (6460)
8.30 Evening Shade. Folksy comedy series set in small-town America. starring Burt Reynolds as a former footballer who goes back to his roots to coach his local school team (s) (2267)



Anyone for lacrosse? Benenden schoolgirls at play (9.00pm)

9.00 Cutting Edge: Benenden.

• CHOICE: A term in the life of the Princess Royal's old boarding school in Kent opens with new girls saying tearful farewells to mum and dad and ends with a lacrosse match. Despite the series trile. Kethy O'Neill's film is hardly cutting. O'Neill is content to evoke the flavour of the place and leave the viewer to decide whether less of \$10,000 a year are well spent. There is nothing about Benenden's ecademic record, much on the attempt to build character. The school does not have an official motto. The headmistress suggests an unofficial one: "work hard and play hard". The girls are said to an unontest one: work rate and pay hard. The gins are sale to come from a mixture of backgrounds, though the overall tone is distinctly Joyce Graniell. One of Benandan's odder traditions involves younger girls declaring crushes on older ones. It is much more innocent than it sounds (5064)

10.90 thirty-comething. Final epsiode of the comedy drama following the Rives of a group of friends in their late 30s. (Teletext) (545606) 10.55 Catch Five — Joseph Heller and Rembrandt. The first of five programmee in which Joseph Haller, author of Catch 22, looks at sevourite Rembrandt masterpieces, beginning with Aristotle Contemplating the Bust of Homer (477828)

11.05 Global Image: The Wild Geese. The story of the emigrating Insh.

#### SATELLITE

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 10.00 Home Sweet Homeless (1969): A family are evicted from their home (87557)
 11.00 Just a Regular Kid (1990): A high school student contracts Aids (77733)

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#### RADIO 3

6.55am Weather; News Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert: Handel (Soneta in C. Op 1 No 7); C.P.E. Bach (Morgengesang am Schöpfungsfeste, Wq 239)

am Schöpfungsleste, Wq 23/1/ 7.30 News 7.35 Merning Concert (cont): Schubert (Klavierstück in C major, D 946); Dvorák (Hussite Overture); Bruch: (Homance in A minor); Shostakovich (Concerto in C) 8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Arthur Hongoer —

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1, Pacific 231; Mouvement
symphonique No 2, Rugby
(New York PO under Leonard
Bemstein); Mouvement
symphonique No 3 (Czech PO
under Serge Baudo); Le chant
de Nigemon (Franch National
Orchestra under Charles
Münch); Symphony No 1
(Bavarian Radio SO under
Charles Dutoit)
Morning Sequence: Handel

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9.35 Morning Sequence: Handel
(Organ Concerto in F. Op 4 No
4); Regondi (Erudes 1 and 2:
David Starobin, guitar);
Hamilton Harty (A John Field
Suite); Regondi (Etudes for
guitar Nos 3 and 4); Dvorák
(Sonetina in G. Op 100: Josef
Suk, violin, Alfred Holecek,
plano), John Field (Sonata in E
fial, Op 1 No 1); Regondi
(Etudes for guitar Nos 5 and 7:
David Starobin); Hindemith
(Variations on "A Frog he
went a-couring"; Julius
Berger, cello, Slegfried
Mauser, piano); Stravinsky
(Ebony Concerto: Columbia
Jazz Combo under the
composer)

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11.30 BBC Scottleh Symphony
Orchestra under Takuo Yussa
performs Bernstein (Three
Dance Episodes, On the
Town): Berber (Adagio; Cello
Concerto: Raphael Wallfisch);
Dvorák (Symphony No 7)
1.00cm Newa

.00pm News 1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: The planist Garrick Ohlsson plays Haydn (Sonata in B minor, H XVI 32); Chopin (24 Preludes,

Op 28)
2.00 Third Opinion in
Birmingham, with Christopher
Cook (r)
2.45 Usater Concert under John
Lubbock performs Glazunov
(Summer, The Seasons);

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Shostakovich (Symphony No 9); Medither (Plano Concerto No 3: Nikolai Demidenko)

1.05 Schumsenn end Brahms
Songa: Ruud van der Meer, bertone, Rudolf Jansen, piano, perform Schumsenn (Blondel's Lied, Op 53 No 1; ich wand're nicht, Op 51 No 3; Fröhlingsfahrt, Op 45 No 2; Abends am Strand, Op 45 No 3); Brahms (Eine gute, gute Nacht, Op 59 No 6; Mein wundes Herz, Op 59 No 7; Dein blaues Auge, Op 59 No 8; Es träumte mir, Op 57 No 3; Ach wende diesen Blick, Op 57 No 4; in meinen Niscrite Sehnen, Op 57 No 5; Strahtt zuweilen auch, Op 57 No 6; Die Schnur, die Ferf an Perie, Op 57 No 7; Unbewegte isue Luft, Op 57 No 7; Unbewegte isue Luft, Op 57 No 8) (7

4.45 Pierre Cochereau: Works by the former organist of Notre Dame. Cochereau (Variations on "Ma jeunesse a une fin"; improvisations, Sulte de dances: Devid Briggs, organ of Truro Cathedral, Clifton Prior, percussion)

7.05 There Ear: Sally Vernon talks to the Chinese actor Ying

7.30 EBU Concert: Czech Radio

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incidental music 10.30 Outside in Festival: 10.30 Outside in Featival:
Featuring Peter King, alto sax, and a quartet led by the planist Julian Joseph
11.30 News
11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Tallis (O Lord, in Thee is all my trust; Gaude Gloriosa Del Meter; Felix namque 8; Whee shall my syrroyshi

When shall my sorrowful sighing stake; in nomine I and II; Like as the doleful dove; O nata kur; Jesu, Salvator

1.00-2.05 Night School (except in Scotland) (as Radio 5 at 9am)

RADIO 4

(a) Stereo on FM 5.55em Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Westher 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 8.45 Business News 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.35 The Week on 4

only), live from the Chepel at King's Colege, London

10.15 The Bible (LW only): Isalah. Read by David Neal (13 of 16)

10.30 Women's Hour talks to the writer Famile Flagg; looks at party political broadcasts; and the game of pinball. Incl 11.00

acquire a vast house that resounds with mexplicable

noises (s) (r) 3.15 Devil's Advocate: in the third

new senes of six programmes is Janet Suzmen, the South African-born actress and director 4.00 News

Kaleidoscope taks to the author Nicholson Baker about his latest novel, Vor; watches Crackwalker at the Gate Theatre; and listens to Deniel Janke playing the kora (s)
4.45 Short Story: The Proposal, by Peter Regent. Read by Trevor

5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast

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5.55 Weather
6.00 Stx O'Clock News
6.30 The News Qutz (a) (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Food Programme (FM
only), with Derek Cooper (r)
7.50-8.00 Treasure Islands (FM
only), with Michael Rosen, Jil
Paton-Waish talks about her
books for children (r)
7.20 Woman's Hour (LW only) (r)
8.00 The Monday Play: A
Clergyman's Daughter
e CHOICE: John Peacock's
play, reshioned out of George

play, fashioned out of George Orwell's second novel, is so melodramatically plotted that, atthough the setting is the 1920s, the characters are straight out of Dickens or Mrs. Henry Wood. Amanda Redman does what she can with the role of the Redman does what she can with the role of the eponymous offspring who, in a bout of amnesia brought on by being used as a doormat by her father and fusted after by the local philanderse, joins up with the hop-pickers of Kent, tries begging and teaching, and generally goes on being a dogsbody. Despite everything, the social critic's voice of Orwell sporedically comes through (s)

9.15 Wings and Landings: The final talk based on the prison journats of John Williams (s)

9.36 Kaledoscope (s) (r)

9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) 9.53 Weather

10.00 The World Tonight (s)

10.45 A Book at Bedtime: A Girl in Winter, by Philip Larkin, Read by Celia Imme (1 of 6)

11.00 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again: Cornety from the 1970s with John Classes Time

Again: Cornedy from the 1970s with John Clease, Tim Brooke-Tsylor, Graeme Garden, Bel Oddle, David Hatch and lo Kentonia Hatch and Jo Kendell (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00-12.43am Nova, incl 12.27
Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43
World Service (LW only)

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their prospects in the new Europe and the future for those who stay behind (a) (444170)

12.20am Tonight with Jonathan Ross (r) (s) (8110045)

12.50 Angola. A portrait of the African country, its people, politics and music. In Portuguese with English subtitles (1177294). Ends at 1.40

Looking Beck with Kenneth MecLeod (731) 10,40 Film: Who is Julie? (21899151) 12,35 Wrestling (23/0942) 1.40 Film: Nationacker (935671) 3,30 American's Top Ten (23062590) 3,55 About British (29974381)

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Thought for the Day 8.35 The Week on 4
8.43 The Professionals: Agony in the Archive. Agony uncle Phttp Hodson listens to advice from some aunties 8.55 Weather 9.00 News
9.05 Start the Week, from Prague. Melvyn Bragg is joined by copresenter Judy Dempsey of the Financial Times, and guests Zuzanna BiGh, deputy director general of the Czechoslovak News Agency, and the entrepreneur Martin Kratochvil (s)

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10.00-10.30am The Year in

Question (FM only): Hunter

Davies referees the final of the
news quiz between journalists
from the Sunday Mirror and
the Sunday Express (s)

10.00 News; Daily Service (LW
only) live from the Changler

the game of pinball. Incl 11.00 News
11.30 Money Box Live: 071-580
4411 (lines open from 10am)
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Counterpoint: Musical quiz (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 News; The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Arcady, by Guy
Maracith. Malcolm and Liz, an affluent couple of the 1980s, accurs a vast house that

of the series, Irms Kurtz tries to convince Cive Anderson that Lody Macbeth had a heart of gold (r)

3.30 Conversation Piece: Sue MacGagor's first guest in a new sense of six programmes.

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